- 1 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, SEPTEMBER 19, 2000 9:30 A.M.
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- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Good morning and
- 4 welcome to the September 19th meeting of the California
- 5 Integrated Waste Management Board.
- 6 Would the secretary please call the roll.
- 7 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Here.
- 9 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Here.
- 11 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Here.
- 13 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Here.
- 15 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 16 Moulton-Patterson.
- 17 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Here.
- 18 Again, welcome to the members of the audience.
- 19 I would like to ask you at this time to please turn off
- 20 pagers and cell phones.
- 21 We'll start with ex partes. Mr. Eaton.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm up to date, thank you.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mike Sanjacamo, Mike
- 25 Mahoney and John Glaub from Norcal Waste Systems and a

- 1 quick hello to Jim Kuhl.
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 3 Mr. Medina.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I'm up to date on my ex
- 5 partes.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I had a written
- 8 communication from Evan Edgar regarding source reduction
- 9 information, some oral communication with John Cupps on
- 10 various issues and just received a fax from Mike Mohajer
- 11 regarding Item Numbers 2, 21 and 20. Mr. Mohajer is
- 12 representing the L.A. County Department of Public Works.
- 13 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. And I'm up
- 14 to date on mine.
- 15 At this time we're going to be having a special
- 16 presentation in a few moments, but we're not quite ready
- 17 for that yet so I think we'll go on with our Board Member
- 18 reports at this time. If anyone has a report, please,
- 19 now would be the time.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Nothing from me.
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I have two to report on.
- 23 August 29th through the 31st I attended the
- 24 Partnership 2000 in San Diego, an opportunity to interact
- 25 with a lot of the LEAs. Also on September 11th through

- 1 the 13th in Charlotte, North Carolina, I attended the
- 2 National Recycling Coalition convention.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Medina.
- 4 Mr. Paparian.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes. I attended the
- 6 League of California Cities annual conference down in
- 7 Anaheim last week and gave a little talk on green
- 8 buildings and the green building staff here at the Board
- 9 were just outstanding in providing information to me for
- 10 that. I want to thank them for that. I talked
- 11 especially about the new Cal/EPA building and the east
- 12 end project. That's it.
- 13 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 14 Mr. Paparian. Anyone else?
- 15 I would just like to report I had the pleasure
- 16 of attending the LEA conference in San Diego and was able
- 17 to meet and speak to a lot of our LEAs throughout the
- 18 state. I also attended the Orange County installation of
- 19 the Board of Directors for the League of Cities and also
- 20 had the opportunity to meet with Mr. Alan Tratner
- 21 (phonetic) who went over his green-to-gold concept and
- 22 what they have been doing in the field of education.
- 23 At this time I would like to ask today Ms. Fish
- 24 to give the Executive Director report for us please.
- 25 MS. FISH: Okay. I do have a report.

- 1 To start, this report provides an update on
- 2 staff activities relating to managing the influx of tires
- 3 resulting from the Firestone recall. The corporate
- 4 offices of Bridgestone Firestone contacted staff on
- 5 August 30th and informed us that they were storing in
- 6 excess of 80,000 tires. These were awaiting destruction
- 7 in an Ontario, California warehouse.
- 8 These are apparently new tires that had not been
- 9 yet even shipped to the dealers. They also advised us
- 10 that the recall could extend from six months to a year
- 11 with an average of 2,000 to 3,000 tires a day being
- 12 returned to this warehouse.
- 13 Staff has been working closely with the company
- 14 and has reached the following agreements to facilitate
- 15 the absorption of the recalled tires into the state's
- 16 waste tire system. All 80,000 defective tires in the
- 17 Ontario warehouse will be removed by December 31st, 2000.
- 18 Approximately 15,000 tires have been removed already.
- 19 The daily flow of defective tires coming to the warehouse
- 20 will be placed in enclosed movable containers and not
- 21 stored in the warehouse. Bridgestone Firestone is
- 22 applying for a permit exclusion for the containers.
- 23 The company is also registering its trucks in
- 24 the Board's waste tire hauler program. Lakin Tires
- 25 continues to remove the recalled tires from the

- 1 Firestone-owned dealers. All of the waste tires from
- 2 this recall are going first to First Nation Recovery in
- 3 Palm Springs for crumbing.
- 4 Secondly, the second update in this report is
- 5 this year's budget bill. The legislature directed the
- 6 Board to provide funding from the general fund totalling
- 7 \$520,000 to seven special projects ranging from
- 8 playground improvements to ball field irrigation systems.
- 9 Some of these projects are similar to the playground
- 10 refurbishing grants that Board staff is currently
- 11 administering.
- 12 The line item allocates a specific amount of
- 13 money to specific entities, although it does not provide
- 14 detailed instructions on how to implement these projects.
- 15 Although there are no requirements for recycled content
- 16 matching funds or eligible expenditures in the budget
- 17 bill, we're moving these projects forward and strongly
- 18 encouraging the use of recycled content materials.
- 19 Board staff will assist the local project
- 20 managers by identifying allowable costs associated with
- 21 the recyclable materials and other ways to promote
- 22 recycled material awareness through this funding
- 23 opportunity. Each entity will be required to comply with
- $24\,$ the American with Disabilities Act, ADA, where indicated
- 25 in the budget bill.

- 1 Staff will administer these projects as
- 2 non-competitive grants and develop a grant agreement for
- 3 each project. Local project managers will be required to
- 4 submit a budget and a work statement prior to the
- 5 preparation of the grant agreement. Staff proposes to
- 6 have these agreements completed and signed by February
- 7 2001.
- 8 And last is an update on AB 75 compliance. So
- 9 far staff has reviewed and approved approximately 52
- 10 plans. We have another 300 that are under review. On
- 11 September 8th, we sent a memoranda of non-compliance to
- 12 145 state agencies, community colleges, as well as large
- 13 state facilities that had not yet submitted their plans
- 14 as required by law. They have been given 30 days to
- 15 provide that information. We are planning a follow-up
- 16 letter to those agencies that do not respond.
- 17 Staff continues to work with agencies and
- 18 facilities and we remain cautiously optimistic that all
- 19 will get their plans completed and approved by the
- 20 January 1, 2001 deadline.
- 21 That completes the report.
- 22 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms. Fish.
- 23 Questions?
- 24 Mr. Eaton.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I have some questions.

- 1 MS. FISH: No.
- 2 (Laughter)
- 3 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Absolutely. On the
- 4 Firestone tires, are there any entities out there that
- 5 are having additional storage that need additional
- 6 permits other than that particular warehouse?
- 7 MS. FISH: Not that I'm aware of, but I could
- 8 ask Mark Leary if he has additional information that I
- 9 don't have.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Because I think that with
- 11 regard to storing extra tires that those permits ought to
- 12 come to the Board for approval and not be done at a staff
- 13 level. I think that's a policy question. Is that
- 14 happening?
- MR. LEARY: Good morning, Members of the Board.
- 16 Mark Lehry, Deputy Director of the Special Waste
- 17 Division.
- 18 To answer your first question, Board Member
- 19 Eaton, we are not aware of any other warehouses. We are
- 20 under the understanding from Bridgestone Firestone that
- 21 these tires that have never been put on vehicles are
- $22\,\,$ being shipped to the central location in Ontario and then
- 23 being slashed so they're never reused again and then
- 24 forwarded on to the First Nation Recovery Facility in
- 25 Palm Springs.

- We are keeping our eyes and ears open, as we
- 2 always do obviously, to make sure there are no interim
- 3 outlets for these tires prior to them going to First
- 4 Nation but for that one, getting them out of the
- 5 warehouse providing that permanent exclusion for
- 6 removable containers and going forward from there.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: What about the ones that
- 8 are being taken off vehicles that are not -- that weren't
- 9 shipped in the state and haven't been placed on a vehicle
- 10 but rather are being removed from a vehicle. Are those
- 11 going to --
- 12 MR. LEARY: Those are continuing to be managed
- 13 through the Firestone dealers through their contract
- 14 which I think is fairly exclusive with Lakin Tire.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER EATON: You've had no additional
- 16 storage requests from Lakin?
- 17 MR. LEARY: We've had a number of conversations
- 18 with Lakin management offering regulatory relief should
- 19 they need it or expansions of permits should they need
- 20 it, but they feel like with their current infrastructure
- 21 and their current permits they can manage those tires.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: With respect to the
- 23 warehouse that's in Ontario, what kind of facility is it?
- 24 MR. LEARY: I believe it's a central Firestone
- 25 distributorship where the new tires would have gone out

- 1 from had they been able to be put on vehicles, but
- 2 because of the recall they've kind of converted this
- 3 warehouse from distributing tires into a warehouse for
- 4 receiving tires.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Are we confident that it
- 6 meets the current local and state fire codes? Because
- 7 that's a lot of tires in there and some of those never
- 8 had to come before us as permits in the stream of
- 9 commerce. Now if we're using it as a storage facility, I
- 10 just want to make sure with the heat and whatever we
- 11 don't have any spontaneous combustion and we have an
- 12 urban Westley tire fire and I don't know if that facility
- 13 has those kinds of precautions.
- 14 MR. LEARY: That's an additional step we'll
- 15 take. The movement into enclosable movable containers is
- 16 to get them out of the warehouse, and they've indicated
- 17 to us they'll comply with that directive. But in the
- 18 interim we'll make a call to the fire department and have
- 19 them take a look and see if they're managing in the most
- 20 fire-negative manner that they can.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Thank you.
- 22 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you for bringing
- 23 it up. Just for closure, Mr. Lehry, from my -- if any
- 24 new storage facilities had to be established, it would be
- 25 brought back to the Board; is that correct?

- 1 MR. LEARY: Minor waste tire facilities are
- 2 delegated to me to sign those permits, but the major
- 3 waste tire facilities would come before the Board as is
- 4 done traditionally.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you.
- 6 Any other questions?
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: On AB 75, I had
- 8 requested that several of the plans come before the
- 9 Board. Is that for October?
- 10 MS. FISH: Okay. I wasn't aware of that
- 11 request, so I'll have to follow up with staff to make
- 12 sure that that happens.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 14 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. I guess
- 15 that's it. Thank you very much, Ms. Fish, for giving
- 16 that report for us. We appreciate it. Okay. We're
- 17 going to -- okay. Thank you.
- 18 We're going to go ahead. We have a really full
- 19 agenda today and we'll go back when our guests arrive for
- 20 the status on border environmental programs, but at this
- 21 time we'll go on with the agenda. Agenda Item 5,
- 22 continued business agenda items from last month, we have
- 23 none. Item 6, consent agenda.
- 24 At this time Items Number 3, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29,
- 25 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40 have been

- 1 placed on the consent calendar.
- Would any Board Members wish to pull any of
- 3 these items? Mr. Eaton.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Numbers 29 and 30 I would
- 5 like to be pulled for discussion.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Mr. Jones.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'll move the consent
- 8 agenda.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Do we have any other
- 10 Members that wish to pull any? Hearing none, the consent
- 11 are those items I read with the exception of 29 and 30.
- 12 Moved by Mr. Jones.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 14 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Seconded by Mr. Medina
- 15 to approve consent Items 3, 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, 32, 33,
- 16 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40.
- 17 Secretary, please call the roll.
- 18 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 20 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 22 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 24 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.

- BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- Moulton-Patterson.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 4 I'd like to note at this time if we go into a
- 5 second day tomorrow, I have made a commitment to hear
- 6 Item Number 15 and Number 20 today. So we'll just see
- 7 how it goes. It might not be a problem, but we will be
- 8 hearing 15 and 20 today.
- 9 Item 22, Sierra Madre, and 28, La Verne, are two
- 10 items which will be continued to the October board
- 11 meeting and will not be heard today.
- 12 So that gets us to the beginning of our agenda
- 13 and we're now on Item Number 1, administration and policy
- 14 discussion of contract classifications and competitive
- 15 bidding methods and processings. I'll turn it over to
- 16 Terry Jordan at this time.
- 17 MS. JORDAN: Excuse us for just a second. We
- 18 have technical difficulties.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sure.
- 20 MS. JORDAN: Good morning, Chair
- 21 Moulton-Patterson and Board Members. I'm Terry Jordan,
- 22 Deputy of the Administration and Finance Division, and
- 23 I'm here to present Item Number 1, discussion of contract
- 24 classifications and competitive bidding methods and
- 25 processes.

- Susan Villa and I will present this discussion
- 2 item. Legal and program staff are also available to
- 3 address any technical questions the Board may have.
- 4 As previously requested by the Board at the July
- 5 18th and 19th board meeting, staff is providing a
- 6 comprehensive overview for discussion of the established
- 7 contracting options, competitive bidding methods, and
- 8 processes available to be used. This overview has been
- 9 designed to also address the requests made by the Board
- 10 at the May 23rd and 24th board meeting regarding the RFQ
- 11 or Request for Qualifications process and present an
- 12 appeal procedure.
- 13 The item itself is comprehensive in that it was
- 14 designed to address and clarify all the issues as
- 15 requested by the Board. Our presentation will follow in
- 16 sequence with the actual agenda item.
- 17 So to begin, we've prepared a Power Point
- 18 presentation for you so that it's easy to follow along.
- 19 I'll try not to talk too fast.
- 20 Beginning with the first line, Public Resources
- 21 Code 40505 allows the Board to enter into all contracts
- 22 it determines to be necessary to carry out its powers and
- 23 duties. The contracting process starts with the
- 24 recognition of the need for services. From that point
- 25 the process varies depending on the types of services

- 1 needed.
- 2 Proper classification of contracts is necessary
- 3 as a first step in identifying which solicitation process
- 4 is appropriate for the contract and what elements are
- 5 required to be in the contract. It sets forth terms,
- 6 conditions and a statement of all work to be performed.
- 7 The state contracting methods include
- 8 competitively and non-competitively bid contracts. The
- 9 reasons for competitively bid contracts include
- 10 protection against misuse or waste of public funds,
- 11 providing all bidders with a fair opportunity to enter
- 12 the bidding process, and eliminating favoritism, fraud
- 13 corruption and abuse of discretion in public contract
- 14 awards.
- With regards to the general contracting methods
- 16 compared, there are different methods of conducting the
- 17 bidding process. A comparison of these methods includes
- 18 non-competitive contracts. These are statutorily exempt
- 19 from the bidding process, and these will include
- 20 agreements with governmental entities. You've heard of
- 21 interagency agreements. It's a term we throw around.
- 22 That's one that's very common. And sole source, sole
- 23 source occurs when a single business is given an
- 24 opportunity to offer a bid for specified services or only
- 25 one source for desired services.

1 In addition, there's competitively bid contracts. These include what we commonly refer to as the IFB, which is an Invitation For Bids; an RFP, a Request for Proposals, and there are two types, primary 5 and secondary; and a Request For Qualifications or RFQ. 6 In addition, we've included on here the master 7 agreements for services, MSAs or CMAS, and we'll get into that a little bit later about what specifically that is 8 and why it is competitively bid by the State. 9 10 With regards to the non-competitive contracts, these are exempt from competitive bidding and they 11 include, as we sort of briefly mentioned earlier, 12 13 agreements with governmental entities such as state agencies, local governments, University of California, 14 and California State University. And again, this is typically referred to as an interagency agreement or a 16 17 standard two, which is very similar; and then sole source agreements where they are justified and approved. 18 The competitively bid contract methods are a 19 20 little different in the solicitation methods and they 21 include the IFB, the RFP and the RFQ. The different methods or choices conducting the bidding process are 23 used depending on factors such as whether the contract provides a service or product that is common or unique,

25 or whether the contract cost or method of contract

- 1 performance is of higher importance.
- 2 To give you a flavor of the actual processing
- 3 time, we've included an estimated time line for contract
- 4 approval. This slide provides you with an idea of the
- 5 average number of days, together between the state
- 6 process and the Board internal process. With the IFB it
- 7 takes approximately 204 days; the RFP, approximately 269
- 8 days; and the RFQ process, approximately 210 days.
- 9 So to get into the methodology and the
- 10 different types of solicitation that can be performed,
- 11 we'll start with the IFB or the Invitation For Bid. This
- 12 solicitation process is used to obtain simple, common or
- 13 routine services such as janitorial services. Generally
- 14 the IFB speaks to answer the following: Here's exactly
- 15 what we need done; here are the qualification
- 16 requirements, performance specifications, time frames,
- 17 and requirements that must be met; and then how much will
- 18 you charge us.
- Other typical types of IFBs that we have done
- 20 within the Waste Board include general occupational
- 21 health and safety training -- and this is just to give
- 22 you an idea of some that we have completed in the past --
- 23 environmental laboratory and sampling services.
- 24 In the process of evaluating IFB responses, the
- 25 IFB must indicate the specific requirements that the

- 1 State needs. Timely bids are reviewed to determine which
- 2 firms meet the specific requirements. After determining
- 3 which bidders meet the requirements, bids are publicly
- 4 opened and the lowest cost bidder is identified and
- 5 awarded the contract.
- 6 Keep in mind that this is specifically stating
- 7 the State process. I have not included in here the
- 8 actual Board process where we develop the scope of work
- 9 and the agenda item for award.
- The next method is the RFP or Request For
- 11 Proposal. Typically an RFP is used to secure services
- 12 calling for technical and professional skills and
- 13 expertise. Most board solicitations use this process.
- 14 Generally the RFP solicitation process seeks to answer
- 15 the following: Here's what we want to accomplish; here
- 16 are the qualification requirements, performance
- 17 specifications, time frames, and other requirements that
- 18 must be met; and how would you accomplish the job for us
- 19 and how much.
- 20 Typical types of RFPs within the Board include
- 21 recently approved scrap diversion at high-volume sites
- 22 and landfill facility compliance study.
- 23 The RFP is used when necessary to evaluate
- 24 bidders' qualifications as well as price. When
- 25 soliciting through the RFP, the Board describes

- 1 qualification requirements, performance specifications,
- 2 time frame and others. The contractors or proposers
- 3 submit proposals describing how they would accomplish the
- 4 job.
- 5 There are two types again, as I mentioned
- 6 earlier. There's a primary and a secondary method. The
- 7 primary evaluation method requires that proposers submit
- 8 proposal and bid in separate envelopes. The proposal is
- 9 evaluated with a scoring criteria, minimum score, and
- 10 higher qualified, and bids of qualifying proposals are
- 11 publicly opened. The award is made to the lowest cost
- 12 proposer. Again, this is the primary method.
- The secondary evaluation method is the point
- 14 count or high score method. It is limited to those
- 15 instances when the Board is seeking a unique solution to
- 16 a problem or situation that cannot necessarily be
- 17 resolved by the lowest cost responsible proposers. The
- 18 methods, approaches and procedures to be used in
- 19 performing the work, rather than the cost, are of primary
- 20 importance.
- 21 The proposal is evaluated by a panel on weighted
- 22 scoring criteria that includes cost. The award is made
- 23 to the responsible proposer whose proposal is given the
- 24 highest score. This is a method that is rarely used.
- 25 However, we did within the last six months use it, and it

- 1 was with regards to the public relations campaign.
- Susan Villa is going to address the Request For
- 3 Qualifications piece.
- 4 MS. VILLA: Susan Villa, the manager of the
- 5 Business Administration Office.
- 6 The Request For Qualifications process are used
- 7 for architectural- and engineering-type services. The
- 8 Board uses this type of contracting process for obtaining
- 9 contractors for our tire cleanup activities and our
- 10 closed or illegal abandoned solid waste sites cleanup
- 11 activities.
- 12 This contracting process emphasizes
- 13 qualifications over cost, and to use this process an
- 14 organization is required to develop regulations for
- 15 implementing the process. The Board's regulations
- 16 specific to this process are found in Title 14, Article
- 17 2, Sections 17020 through 17029.
- 18 Competitors submit their statements of
- 19 qualifications responding to the Board's Request For
- 20 Qualifications document. And once those are received, a
- 21 panel of board staff and sometimes we invite
- 22 professionals from other organizations outside the Board
- 23 to sit on the panel to score and rank the statements of
- 24 qualifications. Once that is completed the top three
- 25 highest ranking firms are asked to come for a follow-up

- 1 discussion and sometimes a presentation to further help
- 2 us evaluate their qualifications.
- 3 The selection of the contractor is based on
- 4 professional qualifications necessary to satisfactorily
- 5 perform the services at a fair and a reasonable price.
- 6 Once the highest ranking firm is determined, the Board
- 7 negotiates with that firm on agreeable rates. And I
- 8 wanted to highlight that some of the rates that we use
- 9 are already set for us. We are required in this process
- 10 to use prevailing wage rates, and for the equipment
- 11 rental rates we use rates established by the Department
- 12 of Caltrans.
- 13 That leads into the negotiation stage, really
- 14 negotiating the percentage of mark-up on their
- 15 administrative or office personnel as how the negotiation
- 16 piece follows. Once we reach agreeable terms with the
- 17 highest ranking firm, then we enter into an agreement.
- 18 If for some reason we were not able to do that, we would
- 19 discontinue those negotiations and move on to the next
- 20 highest ranking firm to begin negotiations with them
- 21 until we met in agreement with them.
- 22 One of the questions that came up in -- I
- 23 believe it was at the June board meeting, was there a way
- 24 to factor in a cost aspect to this proposal, and the
- 25 Request For Qualifications is really, as I stated

- 1 earlier, we're looking for qualifications over cost, but
- 2 we did get together and try to brainstorm some options
- 3 for incorporating a cost aspect. And one of those would
- 4 be to try to incorporate some kind of a way of capturing
- 5 that markup percentage and so that's just one of the
- 6 options that we came up with during this -- the
- 7 development of this item.
- 8 MS. JORDAN: Thank you, Susan.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- MS. JORDAN: We'll continue.
- The next one is the Master Agreements for
- 12 Services, the MSA or the CMAS. We've included it under
- 13 the competitive bidding process simply because it is
- 14 competitively bid by the Department of General Services
- 15 for use by state agencies. The reason it's done so is
- 16 because Master Agreements take advantage of the State's
- 17 large buyer power. Instead of each state agency going
- 18 through and competitively bidding, the State's General
- 19 Services competitively bids one contract with a firm,
- 20 competitively bids with several firms, ends up with one
- 21 contract that all state agencies can utilize for
- 22 services. And there is a master listing and a CMAS
- 23 listing. And Susan, will you help me with that acronym?
- 24 MS. VILLA: California Multiple Award Schedule.
- 25 MS. JORDAN: Thank you.

- Prices are often less than a single agency could
- 2 obtain on its own, and that is another reason why DGS
- 3 does it statewide. Use of these agreements allow us to
- 4 contract with prequalified contractors at predetermined
- 5 prices. This eliminates the need for us to formally bid
- 6 the contract and we can quickly and easily obtain
- 7 services and avoid delay and uncertainty of the bid
- 8 process. An example, maybe Susan you can help me out
- 9 here.
- 10 An example of some of the Master Service
- 11 Agreements we might use would include -- one in
- 12 particular is court reporting services. A second one for
- 13 the CMAS would be --
- 14 MS. VILLA: Most of the CMAS agreements that we
- 15 do have to have an information technology aspect to them.
- MS. JORDAN: Thank you.
- 17 I'm going pretty fast. Are there any questions.
- 18 The next section is with regards to the
- 19 Department of General Services and their contract
- 20 oversight. Basically they're required to review and
- 21 approve most contractor awards with certain statutorily
- 22 authorized exemptions. The contract approval by DGS
- 23 serves to assist state agencies by assuring effective
- 24 compliance with the applicable laws and policies
- 25 concerning the fiscal interest of the State and

- 1 prevention and provident acts, applying contract
- 2 knowledge and legal expertise prior to final approval of
- 3 the contract.
- With regards to the contract award protest
- 5 procedures, specifically those address the Invitation For
- 6 Bid, or the IFB, and the Request For Proposal, the RFP.
- 7 DGS is charged with that responsibility of resolving
- 8 contract award protests for contracts selected through
- 9 the IFB or RFP processes. The grounds for protest are
- 10 for the IFB: The lowest responsible bidder meeting the
- 11 contract specifications was not awarded the contract;
- 12 for RFPs, the agency incorrectly scored the proposal or
- 13 incorrectly followed the procedures specified in the
- 14 Public Contract Code. In this instance, the protester
- 15 bears the burden of proof that the awarding agency
- 16 committed an error in the bid award process sufficiently
- 17 material to justify invalidation of its proposed award or
- 18 that its decisions are lacking a rational basis.
- 19 With regards to the RFQ or Request For
- 20 Qualifications, because of the unique and specialized
- 21 nature of the services solicited under this process,
- 22 state law does not require an appeals process allowing
- 23 unsuccessful proposers to challenge the award.
- 24 Therefore, this Board does not have an appeal process at
- 25 this time.

- 1 That relates directly back to what Susan was
- 2 specifically citing in regards to the Public Resources
- 3 Code. However, should the Board elect to provide an
- 4 appeal process, it has a couple of options. One is to
- 5 authorize the Department of General Services to resolve
- 6 those Board RFQ protests. They are available to consider
- 7 these kinds of protests. However, they lack the
- 8 jurisdiction unless specifically authorized by the Board
- 9 to do so.
- 10 Option two, establish through regulations an
- 11 internal Board protest procedure. If the Board were to
- 12 establish an internal protest procedure, it would require
- 13 regulations prior to implementation.
- 14 With that, Susan, do you have anything else to
- 15 add?
- 16 MS. VILLA: That concludes my presentation also.
- MS. JORDAN: So we're available to take
- 18 questions.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very much,
- 20 Ms. Jordan. Before we go to questions or discussions, I
- 21 would just like the record to reflect that Senator
- 22 Roberti was present. And Senator Roberti, did you have
- 23 any ex partes?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I'm up to date. Thank
- 25 you.

- 1 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: One thing I forgot to
- 2 say at the beginning of the meeting, members of the
- 3 audience, if you would like to speak on a particular item
- 4 there are speaker forms at the back of the room. And if
- 5 you could give them to Ms. Villa up here, she'll give
- 6 them to us.
- 7 Questions or discussion on Item 1?
- 8 Mr. Paparian.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: The issue of setting up
- 10 the appeals process that you just mentioned at the end.
- MS. JORDAN: Yes.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Is this an issue that we
- 13 really need to look at or is there a clamoring of
- 14 interest in appealing?
- MS. JORDAN: No. It doesn't appear so, but
- 16 there was an interest of the Board just to take a look at
- 17 why we don't have an appeals process and to assure that
- 18 the appropriate -- the award is going to the appropriate
- 19 contractor.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Have we ever had someone
- 21 who wanted to appeal and they couldn't because there's no
- 22 process that you're aware of?
- MS. JORDAN: I'll let Susan speak to that.
- 24 MS. VILLA: I don't believe we've received
- 25 anything official in the form of a protest. There were

- 1 some questions that came up.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thanks.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any other questions?
- 4 Okay. Thank you very much. It was very informative. We
- 5 appreciate it.
- 6 MS. JORDAN: Thank you.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Item 2, consideration
- 8 of approval for fiscal year 2000-2001 consulting and
- 9 professional services concepts and consideration of
- 10 approval of the reallocation provision 1 RMDZ funding.
- 11 MS. JORDAN: Thank you, again. Terry Jordan.
- 12 Susan Villa will present this item. However, I
- 13 would just like to make some introductory remarks.
- 14 I'd like to advise the Board that the intent of
- 15 Item 2 is to bring the 2000 and 2001 consulting and
- 16 professional services concepts before the Board for
- 17 allocation. Executive staff have provided some
- 18 recommendations and merely options or opinions for the
- 19 Board, and they're related to the IWMA and the RMDZ
- 20 concepts and related funding.
- 21 Currently as Susan goes through the actual item,
- 22 it will reflect that the IWMA account has approximately
- 23 \$551,000 of discretionary services to be allocated today.
- 24 In addition, the available savings in the RMDZ fund
- 25 provision 1, both 1998-99 and 99-2000 fiscal years have

- 1 some savings for reallocation. That savings equates to
- 2 approximately \$379,550.
- 3 I would also like to make the statement that the
- 4 previously allocated priorities for fiscal year 99-2000
- 5 with the exception of available savings have had
- 6 significant work and time invested to developing the
- 7 concepts to the point of bringing them before the Board
- 8 for award. The Board will hear one or two of these items
- 9 in this board meeting today or tomorrow.
- Not discussed in the item but theoretically it
- 11 should have been placed in there -- and I apologize for
- 12 that -- is the \$100,000 in the 1998-99 RMDZ funding.
- 13 That in addition to the \$279,550 that is available in the
- 14 1999-2000 makes up that total of \$379,550.
- With that, I'll turn it over to Susan Villa.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Could I ask one question
- 17 just for framework? I'm not sure what we're doing here
- 18 today because I got a lot of pieces of paper. You said
- 19 we've got \$551,000. I believe you said it was in the --
- 20 MS. JORDAN: IWMA account.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay. Now, is that all
- 22 that's left or is that a portion of the IWMA that at some
- 23 point we're going to have another allocation?
- 24 MS. JORDAN: That's what is available in
- 25 discretionary funds for allocation.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: What's available other than
- 2 that?
- 3 MS. JORDAN: The RMDZ funds.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: No, no. In the IWMA.
- 5 MS. JORDAN: In the IWMA?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: When you say discretionary,
- 7 we haven't made any other allocation of the IWMA funds
- 8 this year.
- 9 MS. JORDAN: That's true. But if you recall, we
- 10 went through a budget briefing with each of the
- 11 individual Board Members probably two or three months
- 12 back, and in that briefing we related our beginning
- 13 balance for this fiscal year, the state operations that
- 14 are against that, the mandatory services, which Susan
- 15 will also get into the mandatory services -- the BCP
- 16 implementations and the direct program implementations
- 17 that are set aside for RMDZ, but those pieces equate to a
- 18 total bottom line of \$551,000 discretionary.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: So we won't be coming back
- 20 in a month or two months or three months and allocating
- 21 more money out of this fund because previously -- what I
- 22 want to make sure of is that we're not piecemealing here.
- 23 It's really difficult for a Board to set priorities if
- 24 money is at a premium and have you allocate half a
- 25 million now and then come back and do \$1.8 and say why

- 1 don't we allocate X, Y and Z. I just want to make sure.
- 2 You say we have no discretion with regard to the
- 3 remaining monies in the IWMA.
- 4 MS. JORDAN: Unless there's savings in other
- 5 contract issues that you let here during the year. That
- 6 would be a reallocation. We're working within our
- 7 expenditure authority.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right. I'm just saying
- 9 we're going to get no other discretionary money as it
- 10 relates to IWMA money; correct?
- 11 MS. JORDAN: Correct.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay. Then the RMDZ, when
- 13 you say savings, is that that wasn't used or is in the
- 14 process? Because --
- 15 MS. JORDAN: No. It's actual savings available.
- 16 There are three -- let me explain this. There are three
- 17 items in regards to the savings. One was the technical
- 18 error in 1998-99.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's \$100,000; right?
- 20 MS. JORDAN: That's \$100,000. There are three
- 21 items or three concepts with regards to the savings for
- 22 99-2000 which is \$279,550. The first is \$200,000 for
- 23 concept 1314, which was the media campaign that was
- 24 canceled. Concept 55 is in relation to the available
- 25 balance of the deconstruction grants that will be coming

- 1 forward to the Board within this board meeting. There's
- 2 only \$1,550 that's available there.
- 3 In the May reallocation, Item 33, there was an
- 4 item that was approved called the recycling economic
- 5 information project for \$78,000. That has been directed
- 6 to the RMDZ direct program implementation funding which
- 7 is the component of contractual funds for the loan
- 8 program. So that is now available in 99-2000. So of
- 9 those three that makes up the \$279,550.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: What I'm trying to get at
- 11 is a week or so ago the Board Members got this. What is
- 12 current on this list. Are we still trying to take money
- 13 away from the model schools?
- 14 MS. JORDAN: No. There's three items that I
- 15 just mentioned.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay. That's what I'm
- 17 trying to get at. I just want to find out --
- 18 MS. JORDAN: In fact, Susan's put it up on the
- 19 board. That is all that's currently available.
- What I mentioned earlier about the significant
- 21 time and resources that have been invested in the other
- 22 projects, they are still continuing and they're going to
- 23 be coming forward to the Board and at this time what
- 24 we're addressing is the actual available savings.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And with regard to the

- 1 RMDZ --
- 2 MS. JORDAN: Yes.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER EATON: -- are we going to be
- 4 allocating any money at the latter part of this year?
- 5 MS. JORDAN: Yes.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That is a partial
- 7 allocation of the RMDZ monies.
- 8 MS. JORDAN: If there's any additional savings
- 9 we would come back with a reallocation.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: So the RMDZ is only
- 11 savings?
- 12 MS. JORDAN: Yes. Because of this year's budget
- 13 act in the loss of provision 1 for RMDZ.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER EATON: What do you mean this year?
- MS. JORDAN: This fiscal year.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER EATON: This fiscal year.
- 17 MS. JORDAN: 2000-2001.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay. So that's what I'm
- 19 trying to get at. We have no more allocation --
- 20 MS. JORDAN: That's correct.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: -- with regard to the RMDZ.
- MS. JORDAN: Yes.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's just what I'm trying
- 24 to get. I'm just trying to set what pot of money we as a
- 25 Board have some ability to influence or not influence as

- 1 the case may be. Thank you. That helps.
- 2 MS. VILLA: Chair, Board Members, I'm Susan
- 3 Villa of the Business Administration Office and I'm here
- 4 to present Item Number 2 as TJ stated earlier. Before we
- 5 get into the real meat of the item, I just wanted to
- 6 highlight some of the earlier attachments and how we got
- 7 to kind of this process.
- 8 In 1994 the Board approved kind of a two-prong
- 9 approach to how our contract process goes, the first part
- 10 being the identification of our ministerial-type
- 11 contracts. Those are found in Attachment A, which are
- 12 the mandatory services contracts that are usually --
- 13 these are annual renewal-type contracts. And Attachment
- 14 B is our listing of BCPs approved in the Governor's
- 15 budget, and those fundings are specific to those
- 16 projects. And then Attachment C is the direct
- 17 implementation funding of the Recycling Market
- 18 Development Zone loan program, and those activities are
- 19 specific to the implementation of the loan program.
- 20 And just to highlight, on Attachment C one of
- 21 the concepts that originally came forward as an RMDZ
- 22 concept for 2000-2001 was actually found to be applicable
- 23 to the RMDZ direct implementation piece and it was moved
- 24 into this category which actually freed up some of the
- 25 savings that we'll be hearing a little bit later,

- 1 99-2000.
- 2 So that's just kind of an overview of the
- 3 ministerial-type processes, Attachments A, B and C, and
- 4 if you have any questions on those before we move into
- 5 the more meat of the item, I would take those questions.
- 6 Then the next section is Attachment D, and this
- 7 is where -- these are the discretionary concepts received
- 8 for the Integrated Waste Management Account and this is
- 9 the action before the Board to make an allocation.
- 10 I handed out to you a little bit earlier was a
- 11 revised Attachment D, just the front page, summarizing
- 12 that. At the briefing the Board Members asked that
- 13 executive staff come up with a recommendation that was a
- 14 little bit more conservative providing an option for a
- 15 reserve, and so that's what you'll see in the handout
- 16 that was given to you just now.
- 17 This is the time to where we can just start
- 18 working our way through an allocation process for the
- 19 Integrated Waste Management Account and we can keep a
- 20 running total on proposals for the allocation. I'll just
- 21 start at the top of the list.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I want to address the Board
- 25 Members on an issue that's come up.

- In the Board briefings last week, we talked
- 2 about some problems with base year numbers and issues
- 3 like that. As early as yesterday or as late as yesterday
- 4 I was getting calls from consultants who were expressing
- 5 concern that they may have to go back to cities that
- 6 they're contracting with to revise numbers because in
- 7 fact, if we don't find that garbage weighs 115 pounds a
- 8 cubic yard, which according to USEPA it doesn't, then
- 9 we're going to have a real problem.
- 10 I bring this up in this issue because we're
- 11 talking about discretionary funds. We're also talking
- 12 about something that's the heart of this organization
- 13 which is trying to quantify success locally by
- 14 jurisdictions in both programs and numbers. If you look
- 15 at what we went over last week in the guide, numbers that
- 16 are being used for purposes of extrapolation at 115
- 17 pounds per cubic yard, in fact through the EPA those
- 18 numbers are between 150 and 300 pounds per cubic yard and
- 19 300 and 600 pounds per cubic yard.
- 20 What that means when you look at source
- 21 reduction is if people follow a line that this is normal
- 22 generation and we start underestimating through
- 23 extrapolation the number for disposal at here, then this
- 24 piece in between becomes source reduction. Now, we
- 25 approved a city -- the national average is 11 percent.

- 1 We approved a city that had almost 45 percent source
- 2 reduction based on 120 pounds per cubic yard.
- 3 So I would like to interest Board Members into
- 4 thinking about not allocating all this money but in fact
- 5 allocating to some of the items and keeping money for --
- 6 if we need to spend it with somebody else to verify what
- 7 these numbers mean. We want to put out a waste
- 8 characterization and a diversion guide, and if the
- 9 numbers are flawed and we end up at 80 million tons
- 10 generation in the state of California so that we can show
- 11 50 percent diversion, we have done a disservice not only
- 12 to the people of California but to those people who have
- 13 honestly invested money into an infrastructure to try to
- 14 recycle this material. You can't do it with a pencil.
- 15 So I would propose that there are issues that
- 16 need to be dealt with. I think the mine reclamation
- 17 survey needs to be dealt with at \$50,000. I think the
- 18 recycling trade show needs to be dealt with at \$50,000.
- 19 I think the universal waste management needs to be dealt
- 20 with.
- 21 For those of you who don't know what universal
- 22 waste management is, universal wastes include batteries,
- 23 fluorescent light bulbs, thermometers, thermostats that
- 24 are commonly thrown in the garbage but yet it's excluded
- 25 because it's hazardous waste. So we're going to have to

- 1 come up with a protocol to both deal with large quantity
- 2 generators and small quantity generators. We need to
- 3 have dollars in our funds to do that.
- 4 The Cal Max WRAP, automatic \$21,666, and I think
- 5 the interactive web pages for schools, that's \$221.66,
- 6 and if anybody notices I did not include my own item
- 7 which I feel very deeply about which is landfill operator
- 8 certification, but I didn't include it in front because
- 9 that's how critical I think this is to the integrity of
- 10 the numbers.
- I am absolutely scared to death that we have
- 12 made a miscalculation that is going to make California a
- 13 laughing stock instead of a leader. And until we get to
- 14 the bottom of that number, I don't think it's prudent for
- 15 this Board to spend discretionary dollars when we may
- 16 have not have any choice other than to verify that the
- 17 numbers that we have spent already have been spent
- 18 accurately.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Could you repeat those
- 21 numbers? I had Item Number 5 that was on your list.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Item 5 for \$50,000, 16 for
- 23 \$50,000.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: So that's in the --
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: It's all on the same page.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I got you. I'm trying to
- 2 get --
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Sure. I think I went right
- 4 down the list.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm just trying to make
- 6 sure. And the interactive page, was that --
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Interactive page for
- 8 \$50,000 and Cal Max WRAP for \$2,166.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Thank you. I want to make
- 10 sure what I'm looking at. That's just as it relates to
- 11 the IWMA; correct?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's just as it relates
- 13 to the IWMA. What that does is it allows us to keep a
- 14 balance, which we have until June to spend, of \$229,000,
- 15 which we may have to spend to see what the flaw is in
- 16 this number or what about the cities that have spent
- 17 \$100,000 based on this formula and when they go from 125
- 18 pounds to 300 pounds or 270 pounds, which is the norm,
- 19 and their diversion rate goes from 60 percent down to 30
- 20 percent, we're going to have some angry cities, that we
- 21 may want to assist them in trying to figure out what is
- 22 going on here. Yes.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I have a question.
- 24 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: As I understand what

- 1 you're -- another way of looking at what you're saying,
- 2 Steve, is we haven't appropriated any money in these
- 3 accounts out of our general funds for diversion study and
- 4 that's the big issue we're dealing with this year.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: We actually have but it may
- 6 be flawed. We have a waste characterization page on the
- 7 web that says garbage weighs 84.4 pounds per cubic yard,
- 8 and yet we have an EPA study that says it weighs between
- 9 150 and 600 pounds per cubic yard. I don't know how we
- 10 can be off by a factor of that much.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, then my question of
- 12 staff -- assuming -- but we -- when the garbage goes to
- 13 the landfill, it's weighed; is it not?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yes.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Or is it measured by
- 16 cubic yard?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: It's weighed in most cases.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: So then my question is --
- 19 let me understand this. What difference does it make
- 20 what EPA or our own study says what the weight is per
- 21 cubic yard since we don't count it by cubic yard, which
- 22 is something I think we ought to do, but we don't appear
- 23 to do that. So if it's weighed fresh at -- if it's
- 24 weighed at the landfill.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Fresh garbage. It was a

- 1 song by Spirit in 1972.
- 2 (Laughter)
- 3 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: If it's weighed at the
- 4 landfill freshly, what -- does that make a difference?
- 5 Maybe that's the better one.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: It's the only accurate
- 7 number that we see. The Disposal Reporting System number
- 8 is a hard number. The recycling -- but what they do, if
- 9 you look how we see our items, they say this much was
- 10 hauled by the hauler, this much was hauled by self-haul.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Yeah.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: We had an item that we
- 13 pulled because the exclusive hauler for a jurisdiction,
- 14 exclusive, hauled 22,000 tons. Self-haul by this
- 15 methodology hauled 29,000 tons. So self-haul, which
- 16 could be pickup trucks --
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I understand.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: -- roofing trucks, hauled
- 19 more than garbage trucks. That can't give people a sense
- 20 of comfort.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I understand. I
- 22 understand. I understand your point, but I'm trying to
- 23 figure out now how do we get this miscalculation? It
- 24 doesn't strike me that it is because there are different
- 25 formulas as to the weight, the weight of garbage per

- 1 cubic foot or whatever. It's because of some
- 2 misstatement in the calculation, then. Maybe it's
- 3 because somebody at the landfill weighed it incorrectly,
- 4 but I don't understand -- I don't understand your point
- 5 where these different factors as far as weight and volume
- 6 make a difference as far as how much weight when it's the
- 7 landfill. I'm trying to figure it out.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: The weight that goes into
- 9 the landfill is a constant number. It's when you
- 10 extrapolate out by the businesses and you count the
- 11 number of containers and the number of pickups.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: We have a process whereby
- 13 we extrapolate.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: But we may have endorsed
- 15 it.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: How did we endorse that?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Through our study. That
- 18 it's an acceptable method for them to come up with the
- 19 number.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: For the cities to come up
- 21 with -- for the jurisdictions to come up with a number
- 22 they can extrapolate by some kind of volume --
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: -- amount. Do we use
- 25 that at all in our official calculations?

- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's what we've been
- 2 seeing here recently, and the problem with it is --
- 3 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I understand your point.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: -- that we need to get to
- 5 the bottom of it because they may be right.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, somebody's right
- 7 but somebody's wrong if there's two incorrect numbers,
- 8 two different numbers is what the average weight of
- 9 volume is. Can anybody tell me what are the various
- 10 jurisdictions that have come before us with their
- 11 diversion numbers, wanting them to be approved, to have
- 12 used this extrapolation system that Steve Jones is
- 13 speaking to whereby volume is translated into weight?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: We have two that we pulled.
- 15 MR. SCHIAVO: Good morning. Pat Schiavo of the
- 16 Diversion, Planning and Local Assistance Division.
- 17 Of the approximately 60-something base years,
- 18 new base years that have been approved by the Board, I
- 19 believe there's been probably about 12 to 15 that used
- 20 that extrapolation method. Most of them have been pretty
- 21 recent.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: When did we establish a
- 23 policy to do that?
- 24 MR. SCHIAVO: We -- there's never been really
- 25 explicit policy regarding what methodology to apply.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: What weight number did we
- 2 use? Our own? I guess our own, but EPA's is different.
- 3 MR. SCHIAVO: There's two ways of looking at the
- 4 weight and I think some of the confusion enters into this
- 5 part of the equation. One is you look at an actual bin
- 6 density versus actual density of the waste. From my
- 7 understanding, although there's been a lot of confusion
- 8 regarding this because I've heard mixed comments, is that
- 9 this is supposed to be applying actual bin weight, not
- 10 actual densities calculated to the bins. It starts
- 11 getting pretty technical, but that's where there's a lot
- 12 of confusion regarding this method.
- 13 So for instance if you use the 115 pounds, I've
- 14 heard that it's applied, and when you use a
- 15 three-cubic-yard bin, you take 115 pounds times a
- 16 three-cubic-yard bin and it's estimated there are 345
- 17 pounds in that particular bin.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: That's our -- that's the
- 19 figure that we generally use in estimating the weight
- 20 of --
- 21 MR. SCHIAVO: Weight never -- well, in the
- 22 characterization --
- 23 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Where did we get this
- 24 figure, 345 pounds?
- 25 MR. SCHIAVO: It's based on the characterization

- 1 study which was used for a different purpose, as well as
- 2 apparently some estimated bin weights in Southern
- 3 California.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Now, I'm told that -- is
- 5 that federal EPA or has a different weight number?
- 6 MR. SCHIAVO: The federal EPA weight is based on
- 7 the density of the material itself. So for instance --
- 8 what it's saying, for instance, is that a
- 9 three-cubic-yard bin, if it's full at capacity, could
- 10 weigh approximately 600 pounds. So it's looking at
- 11 capacity where this other is looking at just the weight
- 12 of what's in the bin itself, but again I've been --
- 13 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: But I understand you told
- 14 me that we are -- that some jurisdictions are coming and
- 15 trying to extrapolate their diversion rate by using the
- 16 number of bins or volume that is going to a landfill. Am
- 17 I reading -- and then using a formula to come up with
- 18 weight, I guess, and using that from a base year and then
- 19 we build onto that base year. Am I correct?
- 20 MR. SCHIAVO: The way it's applied is a survey
- 21 is done of a business and you find out how much diversion
- 22 took place at that particular business, and you sample a
- 23 couple of hundred businesses, then you look at the
- 24 average amount of disposal from those same businesses.
- 25 You get the diversion rate from that sampling of

- 1 let's say 200 businesses and then that is applied to the
- 2 rest of the population. There's two major issues here.
- 3 One is the weight itself and two is the sampling
- 4 methodology.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, I can't -- well,
- 6 first in response to Mr. Jones's observations, I think
- 7 you're absolutely right. I think we have to set some
- 8 money aside out of our general fund so that we can figure
- 9 it out. I hate to be brutally honest. So we can figure
- 10 it out. And number two, just on an aside, we only have
- 11 \$550,000 available anyway and we're spending \$569,000
- 12 according to the staff recommendation. So we're over
- 13 budget right now anyway without even an allotment per the
- 14 Jones recommendation.
- 15 And number three to my colleagues, we have to
- 16 really work triply hard to simplify this counting. I was
- 17 hoping over the past year that we had been doing that and
- 18 now it appears that we -- now have a new method of
- 19 extrapolating weight, hence diversion, and that is by
- 20 measuring volume even though we don't really measure
- 21 volume and then multiplying that by some factor which is
- 22 in total disagreement to what the value is as to what the
- 23 diversion rate is.
- 24 We have to begin to restrain and discipline
- 25 ourselves to have only one or two methodologies and to

- 1 make them simple, but what is happening is enterprising
- 2 consultants are coming before us, coming with all kinds
- 3 of arguments, and it appears we do not see the other
- 4 options involved. So the enterprising consultant says,
- 5 "My goodness. If we extrapolate this way, we're at
- 6 nirvana," except none of these figures are agreed upon.
- 7 And we're measuring volume without measuring volume and
- 8 frankly I think we should measure volume. As far as the
- 9 conserving the landfill space it makes a lot more sense
- 10 than weight, but that's another issue for another day.
- We're adding complexity onto complexity, and I
- 12 am absolutely disheartened that we now have another
- 13 method of computing diversion, it appears, by volume
- 14 times X or volume times Y. We don't know whether it's X
- 15 or Y that's correct. This can't be.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Senator, we may be able to
- 17 get to the bottom of that. That's what I'm hoping. How
- 18 do you feel about the numbers that I put out there?
- 19 Mine reclamation -- because I know our dignitaries are
- 20 here and I think it's critical that we move, but --
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: If we'd like to wrap
- 22 this up, we can. Otherwise, I'd really like to break and
- 23 recognize our dignitaries. Mr. Paparian, did you have a
- 24 quick remark and we'll see if we can get some closure? I
- 25 don't want to rush anyone on this item, though.

- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I think my remarks might
- 2 lead to more discussion. Maybe we need to ponder this a
- 3 little bit and get to it, but I'm very supportive of
- 4 setting aside a big chunk of money for this.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: The issues that you have,
- 6 would they be compromised if I brought this forward as a
- 7 motion?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: No.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I would have to listen to
- 11 the motion before taking any action. I think the issues
- 12 that have been raised are such that this does merit
- 13 review. I don't know if I'm ready to vote on a motion at
- 14 this point, but I am willing to listen to it.
- 15 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 16 Mr. Jones, I agree. Your points are very well
- 17 taken, but I'm very glad that you did include the
- 18 interactive web page for the schools. I think that's
- 19 critical in my thinking, but I really think at this point
- 20 because there's still people that want to speak on it, if
- 21 we could just take a break in this agenda item and I will
- 22 be -- first of all, I'd like to welcome Secretary Hickox.
- 23 We're so glad that could you join us here today, and I'd
- 24 like to turn it over to Board Member Jose Medina who has
- 25 brought this opportunity forward to us.

- 1 Mr. Medina.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Thank you, Chair
- 3 Moulton-Patterson. And we have some very distinguished
- 4 visitors with us here today. Secretary Hickox was
- 5 already introduced. We also have a distinguished visitor
- 6 from Mexico, the Secretary of Education for the State of
- 7 Baja California and that's Mr. Secretary Gomez-Morin. He
- 8 has some other members with him that he will present.
- 9 And before we go on with the program involving
- 10 Secretary Morin, which will be headed off by our own
- 11 Secretary Hickox, I would just like to say a few words
- 12 about California's relationships with Mexico. The fact
- 13 that we're united by more than a common border, we know,
- 14 for example, that California exports to Mexico presently
- 15 more than 14.9 billion on a yearly basis and the passage
- 16 of NAFTA has created the more than 100,000 jobs in
- 17 California.
- 18 And as Governor Davis has pointed out several
- 19 times, the border has turned into a vital center for the
- 20 new global marketplace. And if you had any opportunity
- 21 to visit the border recently, I think you would be amazed
- 22 at the amount of interaction and the amount of economic
- 23 development that's taking place on both the Mexico side
- 24 of the border and on the California side of the border.
- 25 So this meeting here today gives us another

- 1 opportunity to elevate an effective working relationship
- 2 with Mexico. In fact, the Waste Board has had some
- 3 ongoing efforts in promoting environmental concerns of
- 4 both Mexico and California along the border. We've had,
- 5 for example, Chairman Eaton made a visit to Mexico to
- 6 look at the waste tire situation. Secretary Hickox,
- 7 along with some of the staff that are here and myself,
- 8 attended a couple of conferences in regard to
- 9 environmental issues and concerns along the border, and
- 10 we are going to hear from one of our staff persons in
- 11 regard to an educational project that has been worked on
- 12 by both our staff here at the Waste Board and the person
- 13 of Paulino Luna and also Secretary Morin and some of his
- 14 staff over in Mexico.
- 15 I think what's particularly noteworthy is some
- 16 of the activities that have taken place and I'd like to
- 17 say a few words on behalf of our own staff member,
- 18 Paulino Luna, because he has been working very closely
- 19 with counterparts over on the Mexican side of the border.
- 20 For example, I would just like to mention a couple of
- 21 things that he did.
- 22 He put together two solid waste courses for
- 23 graduate students at the Autonomous University of Baja
- 24 California. He's been distributing source reduction and
- 25 recycling information to most Mexican border states,

- 1 especially to those agencies dealing with solid waste
- 2 management. Lessons have been adapted and extracted from
- 3 the Board manual known as "Closing the Loop." Paulino
- 4 Luna has been working with Secretary Gomez-Morin and
- 5 teachers on the Mexican side since 1998 and will tell us
- 6 more about his presentation.
- 7 I believe all of the above will only increase
- 8 level of cooperation between Cal/EPA, our Board, and the
- 9 Secretary of Education for Baja California. I have asked
- 10 Paulino to continue with the blessing of the Board to
- 11 focus on these opportunities of cooperation. And
- 12 Secretary Gomez-Morin, I would like to say that our
- 13 agency looks forward to participating with you in an
- 14 effort to promote environmental education in both
- 15 California and Baja California.
- With that, I'm going to turn the program over to
- 17 Secretary Winston Hickox, who is accompanied by Ricardo
- 18 Martinez, the Assistant Secretary for Border Affairs.
- 19 Secretary Hickox.
- 20 MR. HICKOX: Thank you, Member Medina and all
- 21 the Members of the Integrated Waste Management Board.
- 22 I'm pleased to be here. Secretary Gomez-Morin, welcome
- 23 to California. I'm glad that you and your staff were
- 24 able to join us today. On behalf of the Governor of the
- 25 State of California, I also welcome you here today and

- 1 I'd like to say a few things about the Governor and his
- 2 views about the subject matter at hand today.
- 3 First of all, as you know when the Governor took
- 4 office, he made it a clear statement of one of his
- 5 primary objectives being to improve relations with
- 6 Mexico, and in doing that he made visits to Mexico and he
- 7 talked with the leadership of your country about the
- 8 important issues that face both Mexico and the State of
- 9 California. In addition, he asked that I place as a high
- 10 priority dealing with border pollution issues, and to
- 11 that end I've established an office in the Office of the
- 12 Secretary to deal with border-related issues. And
- 13 Ricardo Martinez and Paulino are a couple of the people
- 14 that have worked on this subject for me over the last
- 15 year and a half, and we've made real progress.
- 16 But in addition, the Governor has continually
- 17 said that issue number one, number two and number three
- 18 of most importance to him is education. So it is an
- 19 extraordinary opportunity to have the chance to talk to
- 20 you, an official of your stature and your subject matter
- 21 expertise, because education is the key to our efforts to
- 22 improve the environment of the border region.
- 23 We need to work together with you to develop
- 24 materials that we can use in the schools on both sides of
- 25 the border so that the next generation will appreciate

- 1 the problems that we face and how we can best go about
- 2 solving them.
- 3 So again, I want to welcome you here to
- 4 California. I look forward to working with you in the
- 5 future and in solving the problems of pollution on the
- 6 border and I very much appreciate your willingness to
- 7 come to Sacramento and to meet with us today and talk to
- 8 us about this subject. So welcome to you and your staff.
- 9 (Applause)
- 10 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Before we go on with the
- 11 presentation that's going to be made in regard to the
- 12 work that's been done along the border by Assistant
- 13 Secretary Ricardo Martinez and Paulino Luna, I just want
- 14 to say that our Chair, Linda Moulton-Patterson, is very
- 15 committed also to education, and so I think that this
- 16 presents us with a unique opportunity for us to all work
- 17 together around this education program.
- 18 MR. MARTINEZ: Additionally, I want to make sure
- 19 that all the Board Members do have a translating device.
- 20 If not, we'll get some up to you.
- 21 Good morning, Madam Chair and distinguished
- 22 Board Members, Secretary Gomez-Morin, Secretary Hickox
- 23 and members of the audience. Thank you for this
- 24 opportunity today to brief you on our border
- 25 environmental program.

- 1 The purpose of the presentation today is to give
- 2 you a historical overview of the border environmental
- 3 program, of the newly created border affairs unit at
- 4 Cal/EPA, to tell you where we're headed, what we've done,
- 5 and to leave you with a clear example of the types of
- 6 projects we undertake. And on this occasion Paulino is
- 7 going to be giving you the details after I'm done.
- 8 This is a snapshot of the California-Baja
- 9 California border, and as you can see it shows your
- 10 friends there and only goes up to a certain extent in
- 11 California, and in Baja California and I'll go into that
- 12 a little bit more a little later. The border was once
- 13 characterized as an arid waste land with nothing to offer
- 14 when in fact it is a cornucopia of cultural diversity,
- 15 economic diversity, agricultural diversity and biological
- 16 diversity.
- 17 To give you a little background information on
- 18 the border, our border is approximately 136 miles long,
- 19 and the border region is considered to be 62 miles wide
- 20 to the north and 62 miles wide to the south. This was
- 21 established in the 1984 La Paz Agreement by the two
- 22 nations. It contains the most populated county along the
- 23 entire U.S.-Mexico border, that being San Diego County.
- 24 And the region is expected to have 5 million people by
- 25 the end of this year, which is 50 percent of the entire

- 1 U.S.-Mexico border population.
- 2 The population on the Baja California side,
- 3 particularly in Tijuana, is growing at 5.9 percent per
- 4 year which is extraordinary. The region additionally
- 5 shares sensitive environmental resources and shares a
- 6 regional economy. Several studies have indicated that
- 7 Tijuana infuses into the San Diego region that is which
- 8 equivalent of bringing the Super Bowl every year to San
- 9 Diego.
- When we talk about environmental resources, I'm
- 11 showing you a map here of the Tijuana River watershed.
- 12 So the question that comes up is why should we have a
- 13 program that involves relationships with Mexico. First
- 14 of all, California lies downward of Baja California. So
- 15 anything they do obviously impacts us. The map I'm
- 16 showing you shows you that the major portion of the
- 17 Tijuana River watershed lies on their side. Once again,
- 18 this flows into our back yard, so it behooves us to
- 19 establish those relationships and develop a program.
- 20 A little bit more on background. Baja
- 21 California has the highest number of maquiladoras.
- 22 Maquiladoras, for those of you that don't know, are
- 23 assembly plants located in Mexico but owned by U.S. and
- 24 overseas corporations. So they basically assemble a
- 25 product and then ship it out to sell it elsewhere.

- 1 It contains the busiest border crossing in the
- 2 world. I'll throw a couple of numbers at you. There's
- 3 about 50,000 people that cross the border from Tijuana to
- 4 San Diego on a daily basis for work reasons. In 1999 we
- 5 had 96 million northbound crossings coming from Mexico.
- 6 Talking about the regional economy, in '99 Baja
- 7 California purchased and imported over 700,000 used tires
- 8 from California. These are tires that otherwise would
- 9 end up in a landfill here, but I want to qualify that
- 10 they're not waste tires that are not good. These are
- 11 tires that we don't consider good but that are very
- 12 usable elsewhere in Baja California. And in 1999, also
- 13 approximately 40,000 used cars were purchased by Tijuana
- 14 car dealers to be resold in Baja California.
- 15 I'll share a couple of figures with you. This
- 16 is information on the population along the California
- 17 border only. As you can see, 2000 in both counties,
- 18 Imperial and San Diego, will have about 3 million people.
- 19 But if you notice, in 2040 that's going to nearly double.
- 20 A maquiladora overview, as mentioned previously,
- 21 there's 921 maquiladoras in the 62-mile wide region but
- 22 Baja California has about 1,131. That employs about
- 23 245,000 people.
- 24 Northbound crossings, we currently have three
- 25 ports of entry with one more being planned as we speak.

- 1 The newest one is Calexico out in Imperial Valley. As
- 2 you can see, in 1999 these numbers continue to increase
- 3 as being used. Again, 96 million border crossings,
- 4 northbound crossings in 1999.
- 5 So dealing with Mexico is not new. We've been
- 6 dealing with Mexico since 1993, as you can see by the
- 7 slide. We participated in the USEPA Border 21 program,
- 8 which is coming to an end; and we also participated in
- 9 the California Border Environmental Cooperation
- 10 Committee, which was a committee formed in 1994 by the
- 11 three governors, California, Baja California and Baja
- 12 California Sur. This was created to capitalize on the
- 13 site agreements that were created by NAFTA.
- 14 So through Cal-BEC we've been able to acquire
- 15 \$81 million in grant monies to construct environmental
- 16 infrastructure. This includes waste water treatment
- 17 plants and water treatment plants on both sides of the
- 18 border.
- 19 So dealing with Mexico is not new. However, the
- 20 approach has changed. Under the direction and vision of
- 21 Secretary Hickox, we created the Border Affairs Unit in
- 22 the Office of the Secretary. What this did was
- 23 consolidate a border program initiative that was
- 24 presented in the Governor's budget and approved by the
- 25 legislature, thereby appropriating \$2.7 million and 18

- 1 PYs strictly for the border.
- 2 The Border Affairs Unit will serve as the
- 3 central contact point to initiate and establish
- 4 relationships with Mexico. It will also lead and
- 5 coordinate the efforts of the entire border environmental
- 6 program which includes coordinating with other agencies
- 7 such as Resources, Trade and Commerce, the Attorney
- 8 General's Office, Office of Emergency Services and
- 9 Department of Health Services.
- 10 Our most recent accomplishment is the Border
- 11 Environmental Strategic Plan, which was again a consensus
- 12 document and which has been shared, I understand, with
- 13 the Board Members. This will be going out for public
- 14 comment. So the mission is to work towards a better
- 15 environment within a shared border by identifying and
- 16 resolving unique environmental and natural resource
- 17 challenges and the resulting public health issues.
- 18 So what do we plan to do with this strategic
- 19 plan? It definitely has some key goals, a mission, a
- 20 vision and core values. The key goals are again to
- 21 protect the environment within that border region, to
- 22 restore and conserve natural resources in that region,
- 23 achieve and maintain a high standard of public health,
- 24 increase sharing and use of science and technology on
- 25 both sides of the border, and ensure uniform enforcement

- 1 of environmental laws and regulation.
- 2 Through these goals we hope to address
- 3 long-standing environmental issues that have been ignored
- 4 for such a long time in that area. Some of the core
- 5 values that we have are protection and development,
- 6 cooperation and collaboration, integrity of respect,
- 7 continuous improvement, leadership and accountability,
- 8 public participation and communication. And I'll go back
- 9 and talk about cooperation and collaboration.
- Both states have made a commitment to form a
- 11 partnership that will work towards a common vision,
- 12 establish open communication, and share knowledge and
- 13 information. Again, this has resulted under the
- 14 direction and vision of our Secretary who has made the
- 15 clear commitment to make friends with our Mexican
- 16 neighbors.
- 17 So what are the next steps that we're going to
- 18 take? Well, as I mentioned previously, the strategic
- 19 plan will undergo public comment and review. We will
- 20 continuously recruit until the 18 border program
- 21 positions are filled, which is right now presenting
- 22 itself a challenge being that the economy is so good and
- 23 all the other state departments are also out recruiting
- 24 also. We will implement the Strategic Plan to obtain the
- 25 goals and the objectives.

- We will refine the structure of the border
- 2 environmental program in concert with Mexico's political
- 3 landscape. As you know, the ruling party that has been
- 4 in rule for 71 years recently changed over to a brand-new
- 5 party which is going to be aligned with Baja California's
- 6 party. So we expect some very positive results from this
- 7 change.
- 8 We will continue with active participation in
- 9 shaping the next federal bi-national border program,
- 10 which is Border 21, which by the way this had never
- 11 happened before until the creation of the Border Affairs
- 12 Unit. And we expect to have full participation by all
- 13 the BDOs under Cal/EPA, as well as the other agencies I
- 14 mentioned, in setting priorities and policy for the
- 15 border. Again, the federal government sets priorities.
- 16 Those don't necessarily reflect California's vision.
- 17 So there's one thing I want to leave you with
- 18 today is I encourage to you visit our web site which was
- 19 created with the help of the outstanding staff that you
- 20 have here at the Board. And the last thing I want to
- 21 leave you with is that these problems are long-standing.
- 22 They're not going to go away. Mexico is not going to go
- 23 away. NAFTA is not going to go away. So the only way
- 24 we're going to resolve them is through joint coordination
- 25 in resolving these problems.

- 1 Having said that I'll turn the presentation over
- 2 to Paulino Luna.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 4 Mr. Martinez.
- 5 MR. LUNA: Thank you, Ricardo. Good morning,
- 6 Madam Chair, Board Members, Secretary Hickox.
- 7 I'm not used to being on the stage myself and I
- 8 didn't have coffee this morning.
- 9 (Laughter)
- 10 MR. LUNA: I apologize. I had no time.
- 11 My first overhead has to do with what I call
- 12 taking environmental protection beyond California, and
- 13 what I mean by that is not changing the California
- 14 constitution or the Baja California constitution per se.
- 15 To me -- and I'll again apologize for the way I -- you'll
- 16 notice Ricardo and I have a different way of expressing
- 17 ourselves. I tend to say things in a simple way. One
- 18 time I was doing a workshop at the Ayuntamiento in
- 19 Tijuana. They call it the -- it's something like that,
- 20 the city hall promenade, Explanada Del Ayuntamiento.
- 21 And one of the kids I was talking to asked me,
- 22 "What do you mean by borders? What do you mean by
- 23 environment," and obviously you have children. I do.
- 24 And you have one has a tough time explaining things to
- 25 him. I told him that I wanted him to think about the

- 1 environment like he was talking about a nickel or a coin
- 2 that was sitting on top of a line. And I told him that
- 3 he wanted the coin, the guy in Chula Vista wanted the
- 4 coin, and if they could just pull him, it was just a
- 5 matter of time before they figure out that either one was
- 6 going to have it, his or her way.
- 7 The thing is I told him that's not what I want
- 8 you guys to do. I want you to look at the coin, and I'm
- 9 sure that that coin because of the air pollution and
- 10 because of the acid rain coming down, it's being
- 11 corroded. I want you guys to polish it. Once you polish
- 12 it, you look at it, it's going to shine. And guess what?
- 13 The shining of that coin is going to be for both of you,
- 14 and I don't care to talk about the coin, who pulled the
- 15 most. That's how I explain it.
- 16 What I've been doing in terms of doing border
- 17 stuff, as I call it, it's been sharing what we have at
- 18 the Waste Board, what we have at Cal/EPA. I feel myself
- 19 that we are -- and I say it openly. I feel that we are
- 20 very privileged to have a lot of BDOs, to have a lot of
- 21 closing the loops, to have a lot of everything. And I
- 22 think in my own way of saying things we're generous
- 23 enough to share what we have with our neighbors from the
- 24 south. That's what I've been trying to do. Some people
- 25 call it technical assistance, some people call it

- 1 something else. I just call it information exchange,
- 2 sharing.
- 3 I want -- I go to Tijuana, I go to Mexicali.
- 4 The first thing I ask them is look at me as one of
- 5 yourself, one of your own. I'm coming over to share with
- 6 you. This is what I learn. I went over to the
- 7 university, trained the students to count tires. That's
- 8 something that I learned at the Waste Board from Brad
- 9 Williams, from Kit Cambridge. Those guys taught me how
- 10 to count tires, and I hope they did it right --
- 11 (Laughter)
- 12 MR. LUNA: Because I pass it on.
- Anyway, let's move on. Next one, the next
- 14 overhead is real simple and this is something that I want
- 15 to always mention when I talk about these issues. I've
- 16 done it twice, and frankly I love it.
- 17 Talking to farm workers, I talk to the organics
- 18 people in-house, the ones doing the compost regulations.
- 19 I asked them if we could approach the farm workers
- 20 because they're the ones applying the compost. I'm yet
- 21 to see a farmer applying compost or pesticides himself.
- 22 So I keep saying let's train the workers, let's train the
- 23 workers. I talked to 600, roughly 600 of them, and the
- 24 way I describe this is it's probably the biggest
- 25 compliment that I got as a state employee, the biggest

- 1 compliments that I've gotten come from them. They tell
- 2 me I'm good. They tell me, "Oh, yeah. You really
- 3 explain it." I keep saying, "Oh, yeah. Keep going like
- 4 that and I won't come to your farm again."
- 5 Board Member Medina mentioned the classes and
- 6 what was said at the University of Baja California.
- 7 You're looking at me. I normally end up not having the
- 8 time to train myself, and yet I went over there -- I've
- 9 never taken a class on how to dress up and address and
- 10 look at the camera. I went over there. They invited me.
- 11 We had the classes in Tijuana. They televised the
- 12 classes to Mexicali, Ensenada and the public libraries
- 13 and the university campuses. And I was told I was
- 14 talking to 450 people. I told them, "Wow. At this pace
- 15 I'm going to be Governor."
- 16 (Laughter)
- 17 MR. LUNA: I mean jokingly. So the next I have
- 18 is the CTLs. That's my basis. When I go talk to
- 19 kindergarten, elementary school, high school, teachers
- 20 and students along the border, be it Rosarito, be it
- 21 Tecate, whatever, that's what I use. I borrow lessons
- 22 from that. I practice them at home with my kids. I ask
- 23 them and they understand what I'm saying. And if they
- 24 give me a C plus, I know that's an A. I'm done. I've
- 25 learned from Trisha, I ask a lot of questions. Anyone

- 1 who talks to me knows that I'm always asking and pay
- 2 attention because if I get excited, that means I don't
- 3 know much about it. I keep asking.
- 4 The last thing, again the tire count I told you
- 5 who told me how to count tires. If anything goes wrong
- 6 and we didn't get it right, I didn't get it right, I
- 7 trained about 25 students through one of the research
- 8 projects that I did with them. It took us about six
- 9 months, but we got it together. We put it together. And
- 10 again, I used the techniques that I learned in-house.
- 11 Now, other things that I have done, I help out a
- 12 lot of work with Secretary Hickox, with Ricardo. We put
- 13 together this report, the one on top. It's just a
- 14 compilation of what's needed at the border, the
- 15 California-Baja California border, what's needed in terms
- 16 of waste water treatment plants, in terms of landfills,
- 17 in terms of transfer stations. That's what it is. It's
- 18 just a compilation, an updated compilation.
- 19 And then after that, if you look at that in the
- 20 last three bullets, all of them say first, first, first.
- 21 That doesn't mean I'm number one. That means that this
- 22 was never done before, and I had the privilege with the
- 23 assistance of Secretary Hickox and other people in-house.
- 24 I'll describe you one.
- 25 The one that talks about landfills, I did it. I

- 1 invited Diana Vaughn-Thomas from our staff. I invited
- 2 Tim Chris from our staff. I work with other people at
- 3 the Air Board, at the Water Board. Like 12, 14 Cal/EPA
- 4 staffers presented this workshop. So it's not Paulino.
- 5 I'm not Superman. I'm not Robin Hood. I'm just Paulino.
- 6 I put it together with the assistance of Secretary
- 7 Hickox. He was kind enough to go down to Tijuana.
- 8 I shouldn't say it, but the things that one
- 9 remembers that the most is we had a problem with Jessie.
- 10 He got lost in Tijuana. We were about to open the
- 11 workshop. "Where are you, Jessie? Where are you?" And
- 12 we had to go over there and drive and get Jessie to the
- 13 workshop. That was the most difficult thing. Just like
- 14 today, get him to the exact airport and getting the
- 15 dignitaries down on time. That was the toughest thing
- 16 for me to do.
- 17 What else I'm working on right now? I think the
- 18 most exciting thing for me right now and has a lot to do
- 19 with background and has a lot to do with my growing up
- 20 and so forth, I'm very excited I've got this project in
- 21 particular because Secretary Gomez-Morin and I, we were
- 22 joking about this morning on the way from the airport.
- 23 He finished school more or less at the same time I
- 24 finished. He finished his master's degree at the same
- 25 time I finished it. And I was telling him the reason I

- 1 finished it myself is because you loaned me your
- 2 homework.
- 3 (Laughter)
- 4 MR. LUNA: Otherwise, I don't know. This
- 5 project is the Cal/EPA Waste Board staff's, his agency
- 6 project. It's a joint effort. Again, it would be too
- 7 ambitious for us to go to Baja California and pretend
- 8 that we can teach them how to do things. Again, the way
- 9 I see it is I want to make available to them what we
- 10 have. If they can borrow from it, I'm happy. That's
- 11 what we're trying to do.
- 12 What's the objective of this? Again, in my mind
- 13 we talk it over, he read it, he liked it. We're trying
- 14 to formalize environmental education in Baja California.
- 15 That sounds kind of big, formalize environmental
- 16 education in Baja California. Well, you're looking at
- 17 Secretary Gomez-Morin who is currently assisting the
- 18 incoming president of Mexico to put together this
- 19 strategic plan for education for the whole country. I
- 20 told him if you can put that together, I think you can
- 21 build with this and that's what we're trying to do.
- 22 Specific objectives, this is as I see it a
- 23 two-phased project. We're going to help with phase
- 24 number one, which is I call it a train the trainers.
- 25 We're going to help with -- Trish and I talk it over.

- 1 We're going to help with 100 teachers, 100 teachers that
- 2 will be the trainers. Those 100 teachers will be
- 3 training 1,500 teachers. We'll have 1,600 Baja
- 4 California teachers trained. By the year 2005, 2004,
- 5 Baja California should have at least one trained teacher
- 6 per school. We're talking about a lot of the schools and
- 7 a lot of teachers and that's kind of our dream.
- 8 Another component of this -- and I've talked to
- 9 the University of California Baja professors. They want
- 10 to develop -- they call them multimedia games dealing
- 11 with waste, how to -- if you wanted to transform
- 12 putrescibles into compost, how do you -- I call it
- 13 Nintendo games because it's easier. You shoot the can
- 14 and something comes out of it, and then you shoot it
- 15 again and it turns into compost. We're working on that
- 16 and they'll be responsible, they'll be helping us with
- 17 that. That's one of the components of this.
- 18 Specific objectives on my last slide. The last
- 19 slide, that's kind of how I would like to narrow the
- 20 project down. We hope that by the year 2005 we have --
- 21 we have 1,600, 1,500 trained teachers, and by then the
- 22 Baja California, Secretary Gomez-Morin's agency will be
- 23 in good shape to get their own recycling program going.
- 24 Keep in mind that in California we talk about AB
- 25 939. It's been in place for a while. They don't have

- 1 such a thing. They don't have an AB 939. They don't
- 2 have the funding. They don't have a lot of resources,
- 3 but they have the desire. They have the desire and it
- 4 may sound like a fantasy at this point, but I see myself
- 5 getting gray hair and looking at this as a fact,
- 6 something that is taking place.
- 7 I'm looking forward to that with the assistance
- 8 of you, Ms. Linda Moulton-Patterson, Secretary Hickox,
- 9 Trish and everyone. If you help me out, Board Member
- 10 Medina and so forth, I think we can make it happen.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I already have gray hair.
- 12 (Laughter)
- MR. LUNA: I already asked for too much.
- 14 Let's leave it at this. Again, this is my way
- 15 of writing things and my way of saying things. I think
- 16 environmental education, like good ideas, has no
- 17 boundaries. I think that closing the loop is good in
- 18 California and I trust because the teachers tell me that
- 19 is good in Baja California, and I want them to have it.
- 20 I already -- they already requested and got permission to
- 21 copy it, to tweak it, do whatever they want with it.
- 22 The other one is something that I truly believe.
- 23 That's why I told you the thing about the coin. Today's
- 24 children will work it out if we give them the tools. I
- 25 truly believe it. The last star says that if we continue

- 1 working with Secretary Gomez-Morin and his staff, our
- 2 chances of being successful with this project, our
- 3 chances of improving the quality of life of the
- 4 environment along the border are much higher is what I'm
- 5 trying to say.
- 6 Thank you for your time and probably took me a
- 7 half hour to get it out. What can I say?
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Luna.
- 9 We really appreciate your enthusiasm.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: With that, if we could
- 11 have a few words from the Secretary. In Spanish I'd like
- 12 to tell the Secretary (greeting in Spanish).
- MR. GOMEZ-MORIN: Good morning, Madam Chair.
- 14 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Good morning. We're
- 15 so happy to have you here.
- 16 MR. GOMEZ-MORIN: Thank you for the invitation,
- 17 Members of the Board. Thank you also, Board Member
- 18 Medina. Secretary Hickox, thank you very much and thank
- 19 you, Paulino, for your kind words. Sometimes I think you
- 20 exaggerate a little bit.
- 21 (Laughter)
- 22 MR. GOMEZ-MORIN: You're much older than I am.
- 23 (Laughter)
- 24 MR. GOMEZ-MORIN: I was looking forward to this
- 25 visit and to express to you Members of the Board and

- 1 Secretary Hickox about the commitment that we should have
- 2 in viewing our border region as a shared space, a shared
- 3 territory. What Paulino just showed you about what we
- 4 are starting over, I would like to give you another
- 5 example on a different field, different area. Something
- 6 that can be done.
- 7 Our Governor, Governor Gonzales Alcocer, also
- 8 shares the commitment to education as Governor Davis.
- 9 They've been talking about this and they know that the
- 10 foundation for a better way of life for both our states
- 11 are based on our strength in our educational system and
- 12 how we give opportunity to our people.
- One of the problems we share in the border
- 14 region, besides the environmental issues, is the drug
- 15 trafficking, violence, illegal immigration to the United
- 16 States, arms dealing, arms trafficking from the United
- 17 States to Mexico and so on. We have seen that the
- 18 problems of violence that affect our children and our
- 19 young people from middle schools and high schools are the
- 20 same on both sides of the border. Sometimes it's a lack
- 21 of opportunities to develop as human beings or a better
- 22 system of education, but it is affecting our communities.
- 23 It's affecting our ability to sustain a development for a
- 24 better future.
- 25 So in terms of our state, Baja California, and

- 1 the State of California, we're living globalization every
- 2 day along the border. While other states and other
- 3 countries are talking about the good things about
- 4 globalization, we have been living globalization for a
- 5 long time because our border region in both our states is
- 6 made up basically of migrant people.
- 7 So in dealing with the issues of violence or
- 8 public safety, a couple of teachers from Tijuana sat down
- 9 and worked with teachers from San Diego and developed a
- 10 curriculum for an educational program to counteract crime
- 11 and corruption, a school-based program. It was designed
- 12 by teachers from Tijuana and teachers from San Diego and
- 13 it has been taught as a pilot project. The last school
- 14 year it was -- we tested it as a pilot project in several
- 15 schools. We have this program elevated by an external
- 16 agency and it gave us a very good result. I'm not going
- 17 into the program because I know it's not the issue about
- 18 the environment.
- 19 What I'm trying to say is that we can do
- 20 bi-national programs. It is not an idea. It is not a
- 21 dream. It is a reality. This program, now we're
- 22 teaching our students against crime and corruption to
- 23 15,000 students in Baja California this school year. And
- 24 as Paulino said, we started training eight professors
- 25 now. Then we trained 20 professors and now we have about

- 1 400 professors teaching this course in just one year, and
- 2 in the next two years we will have at least 800
- 3 professors teaching this course in the middle schools in
- 4 Baja California.
- 5 It is not a dream, Paulino. It is a
- 6 possibility. It's something real. We can do it. We
- 7 already have done it with the California school system.
- 8 So the other issue -- the issue that comes with
- 9 this, which is environmental protection, we have a lot of
- 10 things to learn. I've been working -- all my
- 11 professional life was done in the environmental area. I
- 12 was an environmental planner, so I know how hard it is to
- 13 sustain our development plans, economic plans, without a
- 14 view of the environment. I've been fighting with the
- 15 government agencies in Mexico to work from an
- 16 environmental perspective for our development along the
- 17 border region, along the coastal area of Baja California.
- 18 So I agree with Paulino that the best way to
- 19 change the future, at least from our point of view, is to
- 20 start this program from the schools, a school-based
- 21 program oriented towards environmental issues, very
- 22 simple issues that will start to develop a culture about
- 23 environmental protection.
- 24 As you know, one of our principal problems in
- 25 Baja California is water. It's our most scarce resource.

- 1 We don't have a lot of water, especially along the
- 2 Tijuana-Ensenada coastal area. So we need to implement
- 3 water saving programs, a water saving culture, energy
- 4 saving culture, recycling culture, and it is going to be
- 5 very difficult to do it with adults. We have to do it
- 6 starting with the children.
- 7 I just came here to tell you that I'm committed
- 8 in any way that we can with the resources we can allocate
- 9 to start a real bi-national educational environmental
- 10 program for our schools. You have the commitment of the
- 11 Governor. You have the commitment of the Minister of
- 12 Education, the Secretary of Education, and our staff
- 13 members to do in reality what we know we can do because
- 14 we have done it in the past.
- 15 The future looks bright for us because we know
- 16 that we'll be successful also in this effort. So I thank
- 17 you very much for your invitation. I thank you for your
- 18 patience to listen to what I have to say and I look
- 19 forward to work in the future in this program.
- Thank you very much.
- 21 (Applause)
- 22 MR. HICKOX: Mr. Secretary, to wrap up our time
- 23 together this morning, I want to thank you very much for
- 24 your very eloquent remarks. I took two years of Spanish
- 25 in high school and I can barely say hello and thank you

- 1 anymore. You are a wonderful speaker and we appreciate
- 2 you coming here to share with us your commitment and your
- 3 willingness to work with us, as I'd earlier, to develop a
- 4 program that will help the next generation be a bigger
- 5 participant in solving these problems that we face along
- 6 the border.
- Your remarks are very inspirational and we look
- 8 forward to working with you in the months ahead. Thank
- 9 you again very, very much for being here.
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. I would
- 11 like to echo Secretary Hickox's sentiments. We really
- 12 appreciate you making the trip up here. We are willing
- 13 to work with your government, and I think we share that
- 14 education is the key, and if we can reach our children we
- 15 will have a better world. So thank you so much for being
- 16 here. We want to do everything we can and hopefully we
- 17 can come down and visit some of the schools.
- 18 I would like to also recognize Trish Broderick
- 19 because she has been so instrumental in developing this
- 20 educational curriculum and we're so proud to be able to
- 21 share it with you. So thank you, Mr. Luna, Mr. Martinez,
- 22 and Mr. Medina for bringing this all to us and Secretary
- 23 Hickox. It's just been a pleasure.
- 24 If we might take a short break and have some
- 25 photos, we'd really appreciate it. Thank you.

- 1 (Recess taken)
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to call the
- 3 meeting back to order.
- 4 The Board met in closed session and took action
- 5 to appoint as acting Executive Director Karen Fish. So I
- 6 did want to report that back.
- We stopped, and I apologize, in the middle of
- 8 Item Number 2 and I apologize, Ms. Jordan, to you and
- 9 your staff but we just felt it was the courteous thing to
- 10 do. So thank you very much for your patience and we can
- 11 take up where we left off as far as discussion.
- 12 Excuse me. Thank you.
- Mr. Eaton, any ex partes?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Just one. I had a brief,
- 15 I'll just say, interaction with Paul Ryan on diversion
- 16 techniques.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, I had a brief
- 18 discussion with Eugene Tseng on the same subject and also
- 19 got the list of three documents from Mike Mohajer that
- 20 were on my desk when I went up at lunch time, and
- 21 Lieutenant Colonel Sulliver on the cleanup of Fort
- 22 Roberts, and I think that's it.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Medina.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Mr. Ray Button from Blue

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- 1 Line and Evan Edgar, and just had lunch with Secretary
- 2 Morin from Baja California.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 4 Mr. Paparian.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes. I also had a brief
- 6 discussion with Eugene Tseng and meet-and-greet with Evan
- 7 Edgar and with Mandy Rhoades from San Bernardino County.
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 9 Senator Roberti.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I'm up to date. Thank
- 11 you.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: And I spoke with
- 13 during the lunch hour Secretary Gomez-Morin and his
- 14 party.
- Ms. Jordan.
- MS. JORDAN: Yes. Terry Jordan again.
- 17 In regards to agenda Item Number 2, we'll
- 18 continue with consideration of approval of fiscal year
- 19 2001 concepts and consideration of approval of
- 20 reallocation provision 1, Recycling Market Development
- 21 funding.
- 22 Susan Villa will present.
- MS. VILLA: I believe we left off having the
- 24 discussion of the allocation of the Integrated Waste
- 25 Management Account funding. There's \$551,000 available

- 1 for the Board to allocate. Are there any additional
- 2 questions surrounding the item of allocation?
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think we left off or
- 4 Mr. Paparian wanted to speak. We'll turn the floor over
- 5 to him.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you.
- 7 Mr. Jones had made a suggestion with regards to
- 8 pulling back some of the funding to make it available
- 9 for -- potentially for studies or other items related to
- 10 diversion, and that helps again on one of the points that
- 11 I was concerned about and that is that we not allocate
- 12 the whole amount but rather hold back some for
- 13 contingencies during the year and then reallocate it
- 14 during the year as needed to either some of these
- 15 projects that are listed here or to other specific needs.
- 16 And I think Mr. Jones has identified a very pressing need
- 17 to deal with questions surrounding how the numbers are
- 18 used in the diversion studies.
- So I'm very supportive of what Mr. Jones has
- 20 suggested.
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks, Madam Chair.
- 23 I think that -- I'm hoping I have a meeting set
- 24 up tomorrow that Mr. Paparian is going to join me with to
- 25 go over some of these nuances, and based in part with the

- 1 outcome of that discussion we'll determine some kind of a
- 2 recommendation for this Board as to what we probably need
- 3 to be looking at. But I think clearly, like the Senator
- 4 said, we thought we were getting this thing simpler and
- 5 now we've found a way to make it harder or more or less
- 6 understandable. So I think we have to get to the bottom
- 7 of that.
- 8 While there are some issues that were proposed,
- 9 two of them being from EPA, Cal/EPA -- this isn't to
- 10 slight Cal/EPA -- but if we only have \$200,000 left and
- 11 people have spent ten years trying to develop this
- 12 methodology, and I think in -- is it SB 220 -- or
- 13 something we have to come up with a waste
- 14 characterization -- we have to come up with a planning
- 15 guide as part of upcoming legislation to provide the
- 16 local jurisdictions. I think they can wait just a little
- 17 bit to make sure that if we -- you know, if we're going
- 18 to end up spending a chunk of money to get this thing
- 19 fixed, I don't want us to not be able to fix what's going
- 20 to impact every city and county in California or those
- 21 that have chosen this methodology.
- 22 I'm sure that they're asking for money from all
- 23 the other BDOs and we'll be able to put in our share.
- 24 I'm not sure how much they've given us credit for for the
- 25 carpeting, but I'm sure it's all relative. I want to

- 1 make a --
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: We had one more
- 3 speaker before you make your motion. Is that okay?
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. Mohajer?
- 5 (Laughter)
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: No. Senator Roberti
- 7 wanted to speak.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Are we on --
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: And we do have
- 10 Mr. Mohajer.
- 11 (Laughter)
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yeah. But he's supporting
- 13 number 5 and I put that in the thing.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I -- as Mr. Jones has
- 15 said, we -- I agree that we should start giving a harder
- 16 look at the way we compute these numbers. I just want to
- 17 make a suggestion from what I understand from what my
- 18 staff tells me and what our staff tells us is that it was
- 19 a staff suggestion to have the waste management
- 20 professional workshop and that that is not something
- 21 that's necessarily ready to go right now and something
- 22 that could wait until the next year. I would just offer
- 23 that as a candidate for sacrifice in order to accommodate
- 24 the request which Steve Jones is making and I think that
- 25 gets us \$90,000, unless there's some great defender for

- 1 that program. I don't know.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Are you saying leave
- 3 everything else and just take that \$90,000?
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: That's my suggestion.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: We do have a reserve
- 7 which it says \$50,000, but it doesn't add up to that
- 8 much. It adds up to more like \$31,000.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: So is your suggestion
- 10 to take everything on here and delete the \$90,000?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Take the \$90,000 out to
- 12 know we do have a contingency reserve which is \$31,000,
- 13 not \$50,000. And I would earmark the \$90,000 to go for
- 14 the program, diversion counting program. I don't know
- 15 what we're calling it.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: What about the AB 75
- 17 training video for \$56,000?
- 18 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: With Senator Roberti's
- 19 proposal, that would be in there. With Mr. Jones's
- 20 proposal it wouldn't be. Would you be amenable to
- 21 Senator Roberti's?
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: The reason that it wouldn't
- 23 be in there was because Frank Simpson -- I don't know if
- 24 Frank's in the room -- had made a comment that he found
- 25 about \$80,000 or \$60,000 worth of professional video

- 1 equipment that this Board bought nine years ago and they
- 2 could probably do this in-house.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Can I interject on that?
- 4 It's not an enormous issue, but since I've been on the
- 5 Board I sense the greatest recalcitrance to move in the
- 6 area of diversion is the state agencies themselves. And
- 7 I would myself like to have somebody from the outside do
- 8 the educational program video, whatever, for us because
- 9 we have to get serious on it. It's my own sense -- I
- 10 could be wrong -- rummaging around for our old equipment
- 11 is just more work -- we're just not going to move and
- 12 we'll do a second-hand job. I hope I'm wrong, but I
- 13 would actually like somebody to come in from the outside
- 14 and start us on state agencies, on the road of getting
- 15 serious, and it starts with education and not something
- 16 we sort of paste together ourselves.
- 17 State agencies are just terribly lax, university
- 18 number one, but they're not the only ones. Anyway,
- 19 that's my thought. I'm less than excited about getting
- 20 $\,$ rid of the video thing, but whatever. I said less than
- 21 excited, not a hard "no."
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I would like to ask Frank
- 25 Simpson because it probably isn't fair to the Board. I

- 1 just found this out the other day. Frank came to us from
- 2 I think Channel 36 and Channel 3 and used to put this
- 3 stuff together all the time.
- 4 MR. SIMPSON: Yes, Mr. Jones. In this audio
- 5 visual room that we have back here there is a complete
- 6 edit station. It's very similar to what a television
- 7 station uses. It's called a video toaster and it is
- 8 hooked into this audio visual system that we have in this
- 9 board room here. We would require an editor, which is a
- 10 body, a person to actually work the equipment because I'm
- 11 not that proficient at it myself.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: As opposed to -- I take
- 13 the current budgeted item contemplates an editor and a
- 14 producer from the outside?
- 15 MR. SIMPSON: Correct.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Rather than our, to use
- 17 my language, pasting something together. Your language,
- 18 toasting something.
- 19 (Laughter)
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: All by our lonesome
- 21 selves.
- 22 MR. SIMPSON: It is our hope in the future to
- 23 make a proposal where we would start bringing some of
- 24 this in-house because I do come from the television
- 25 industry. I was in television for about 25 years as a

- 1 writer --
- 2 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I absolutely agree and
- 3 I'm sure we have the people, starting with you, that are
- 4 capable of doing that, but capability is one thing.
- 5 Being at the point of being able to do it is something
- 6 else and having the time is even something else.
- 7 MR. SIMPSON: Absolutely.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: So I just think that not
- 9 going with an outside entity -- and I have no idea who
- 10 they would be -- is fraught with danger and more fraught
- 11 with delay. So I kind of just would like to take the
- 12 \$90,000 and start letting the state agencies know that
- 13 we're serious and this isn't going to waste six months,
- 14 seven months, eight months. I would actually like to see
- 15 some action on the state agencies while my term is still
- 16 existing.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: They're not going to have
- 18 to do any programs. All they have to do is do the right
- 19 numbers and why would they have to do a program? We can
- 20 just do the video on how to fill out the forms.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Absolutely. We've got to
- 22 watch that. You're absolutely right.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Fill the forms out, how to
- 24 get to 50 percent without ever putting a bin out.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: And we've got consultants

- 1 that are going to show them how to do it. You're
- 2 absolutely right. Not working for us but working because
- 3 we're here.
- 4 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: What happens with the --
- 6 where are we on the Cal/EPA items, the environmental
- 7 indicator study?
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: With Mr. Jones's
- 9 proposal, as I understand it, we wouldn't allocate that,
- 10 but with Senator Roberti's, we would.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Are we all operating on
- 12 the same list? We need to make sure of that. There's
- 13 one list that was handed out loose and one in the binder.
- 14 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm looking at the
- 15 revised one.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: The two first items
- 17 would be \$45,000?
- 18 MS. VILLA: That's the one that was handed out
- 19 today.
- 20 MS. JORDAN: And the reason that one was handed
- 21 out was because we took a closer look at what was being
- 22 recommended and provided somewhat of a contingency,
- 23 although it's small. We've made those changes and that's
- 24 why the revisions.
- 25 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well --

- 1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair, I just
- 2 brought a suggestion. I didn't --
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: It wasn't a motion?
- 5 Because I mean I'll make a motion and I appreciate what
- 6 you're saying. I really do. I took my \$50,000 landfill
- 7 operator's certification out of my numbers, only because
- 8 I just don't know how enormous this problem is going to
- 9 be and I'm scared to death it's something we've been
- 10 working on for ten years and if it is what I'm hoping it
- 11 isn't, we're going to have a problem.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Well, I guess
- 13 I'll give my opinion here, too, since we don't have a
- 14 motion on the floor. I totally agree with you,
- 15 Mr. Jones, that we've got to do this. I would hope that
- 16 we could leave most of these things in and we could do it
- 17 for \$90,000.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Wouldn't that be
- 19 \$121,000? I know it's a reserve contingency, but we've
- 20 got the contingency now.
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Right. That's right.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aren't we really talking
- 23 about -- what's it come to, \$121,000?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Perhaps maybe I can help
- 25 this little situation. If we look at the IWMA, I think,

- 1 Senator, you raised the point that -- and I think it's a
- 2 valid one -- for how many years we tried to get AB 75
- 3 passed and it's finally gotten passed and we need to do
- 4 something.
- 5 Mr. Jones is trying to accommodate a list in a
- 6 matter that's equally important. I think there is room
- 7 here. And let me just go to the RMDZ, which is our next
- 8 allocation right here in the back. You will see in that
- 9 allocation that there is that they dropped school AB 75
- 10 recycling diversion grant from \$500,000 to zero. Now, if
- 11 you put some of that money back -- because here is the
- 12 situation.
- 13 In the legislation of AB 75 it is mandated we do
- 14 that work, so I'm not sure the executive staff's
- 15 recommendation is a valid one given the legislative
- 16 direction of which I have here and would be happy to read
- 17 for the record. That was put in the legislation
- 18 specifically for that purpose. Within that grant
- 19 process, diversion grants, I think, we are capable enough
- 20 to complete your project if we were to put some money in
- 21 that and take it out of the RMDZ, and we haven't gotten
- 22 there yet. That would take care of Mr. Jones's list and
- 23 leave it as he's proposed and then go in and using that
- 24 pot or having that discussion and getting there because I
- 25 agree with you.

- 1 And that was one of the points that I was going
- 2 to raise with RMDZ is that AB 75 dictates, mandates that
- 3 we shall implement and we shall do all of these things.
- 4 So not to allocate any money where we are allocating
- 5 money that have no regulatory or statutory direction I
- 6 think would be something less than carrying out our
- 7 responsibilities. So I think in that one we can find
- 8 your dollars and meet both of those goals if we just have
- 9 that discussion.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I want to thank you
- 11 because I want to make it absolutely clear. I am a
- 12 hundred percent proponent of the thrust that Mr. Jones
- 13 has painted, both in this morning's and this afternoon's
- 14 session, but I don't want to go slow on 75. So if we
- 15 could find a way of speeding it up and not doing an
- 16 in-house thing until I'm confident in-house is ready to
- 17 go, wherever it comes from, is fine with me. If we have
- 18 a pot of gold --
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: If we were to sort of look
- 20 at that recommendation at the same time and then do the
- 21 Jones list as proposed and then get your particular
- 22 monies, if that were to be the case with that direction,
- 23 that that would be part of the waste diversion grants
- 24 because the legislation -- I'll just take a look.
- 25 Section 4295(b) says, "The Board shall establish

- 1 and implement a waste reduction award program for state
- 2 agencies and large state facilities that develop, adopt
- 3 and implement innovative and effective Integrated Waste
- 4 Management Plans in compliance with this chapter," and
- 5 that would be one way we could kind of come up and
- 6 develop those out-of-house kind of award program and
- 7 training and somewhat in that whole area and then it
- 8 comes out of the RMDZ, which would be consistent with
- 9 that, I believe.
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have a question,
- 11 Ms. Jordan. It says here Cal/EPA requirements. Can you
- 12 expand on that a little bit?
- 13 MS. JORDAN: Yes. We've been advised that there
- 14 are several cross-initial BDO initiatives that Cal/EPA
- 15 has and they have basically asked us to contribute
- 16 towards those. Of the two requirements that are
- 17 contracts, it is these two -- the environmental indicator
- 18 study and the integrated data for environmental
- 19 assessment -- and this is a specific amount that applies
- 20 to this Waste Board.
- 21 Each of the other BDOs have also substantial
- 22 amounts of money that they're also contributing towards
- 23 those contracts.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Maybe we should include
- 25 those if we can. I think it still leaves us -- I'm not

- 1 sure where the numbers add up to this, but it still
- 2 leaves a substantial amount for these various
- 3 contingencies.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: The problem I have with
- 5 that is it says right here in our packet that there's no
- 6 statutory nor regulatory direction for those allocation
- 7 or those funds to the agency, and those generally have
- 8 been handled through the budget process and that's where
- 9 past administrations have gotten in trouble, where
- 10 they've allocated monies to these types of agencies
- 11 without the proper statutory or regulatory authority.
- 12 And so I would say that at least in regards to
- 13 the things that are before us, we have those statutory
- 14 and regulatory directions by which we should allocate
- 15 these funds and that those other funds will just have to
- 16 go through the regular route and we'll have to find some
- 17 way to allocate those monies at a later time.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Mr. Eaton is refreshing
- 21 my memory. It is true that when the agencies tried to
- 22 take money, they got in trouble, I think. I'm not
- 23 against taking the money. Can counsel help us on this to
- 24 make sure? Because my recollection now that Danny has
- 25 remembered something that I placed in the past recesses

- 1 of ancient history, this was a recurring problem no
- 2 matter who was the Governor. They're trying to fund
- 3 their agencies by taking board or department money and
- 4 usually when it got to court -- I don't know what the
- 5 issues were -- the administration lost.
- 6 MS. TOBIAS: I wouldn't disagree with anything
- 7 that you or Mr. Eaton said.
- 8 (Laughter)
- 9 MS. TOBIAS: I would be happy to come back on
- 10 it, but that's as much as I want to say here. I'm
- 11 certainly happy to come back with a legal comment or
- 12 opinion on it, but I would want to look at it first.
- 13 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: So we could bring that
- 14 portion back next month?
- MS. TOBIAS: Certainly.
- 16 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: And know the up sides
- 17 and the down sides.
- 18 MS. TOBIAS: Sure. I would be happy to put
- 19 together something on that.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Very prudent answer.
- 22 (Laughter)
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Based on that legal
- 25 opinion --

- 1 (Laughter)
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Confirmation.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I want to propose that we
- 4 fund through IWMA Item 5, mine reclamation survey for
- 5 \$50,000.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: You may be on the wrong
- 7 list. 45.
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: No. He means the
- 9 number, I think. The number of the concept.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: He said \$50,000. It
- 11 should be \$45,000.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sorry.
- MS. JORDAN: No. The \$45,000 is just an exec
- 14 staff recommendation. The original IWMA request was
- 15 \$100,000. The Board can certainly approve whatever level
- 16 or amount that they choose to do so.
- 17 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: So are you looking for
- 18 \$50,000?
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I was thinking \$50,000.
- 20 This was the one that the Senator wanted.
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: \$50,000 on Item 5.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Item 16, recycled product
- 23 trade show, \$50,000; Item 8, the universal waste
- 24 management options and education, \$50,000; Item 17, Cal
- 25 Max WRAP awards, \$21,666; and Item 2, the interactive web

- 1 pages for schools for \$50,000, for a total of \$221,666.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'll second that motion.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion by
- 4 Mr. Jones, seconded --
- 5 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Would you mind repeating
- 6 those please?
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sure.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Item 5 for \$50,000; Item
- 9 16, recycled product trade show for \$50,000; Item 8,
- 10 universal waste management options and education for
- 11 \$50,000; in that same grouping, Item 2, interactive web
- 12 pages for schools for \$50,000; and Item 17, the Cal Max
- 13 and WRAP programs for \$21,666.
- 14 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion by
- 15 Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Eaton.
- 16 I have one question before we vote. So you will
- 17 be getting back to us on the Cal/EPA part?
- 18 MS. TOBIAS: Yes, at the next meeting.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Because I do have some
- 20 reservations on that. Thank you.
- 21 Secretary, please call the roll.
- 22 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 24 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.

- BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 3 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 5 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 7 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 9 Mr. Mohajer. Is Mr. Mohajer --
- 10 MR. MOHAJER: I'll pass, Madam Chair, since
- 11 Mr. Jones --
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm so sorry,
- 13 Mr. Mohajer. I apologize.
- 14 MS. VILLA: Susan Villa, and the next portion of
- 15 this agenda item is the allocation, the reallocation of
- 16 the \$379,550 of savings in the provision 1 language, the
- 17 Recycling Market Development Account. And I just wanted
- 18 to highlight that those fundings need to be used for
- 19 market development activities as it was laid out in
- 20 provision 1. Also, a revised Attachment E was handed out
- 21 and that has the revised executive staff recommendations
- 22 that brought the allocations more in line with the
- 23 savings that were available.
- 24 So we can go through these one by one or are
- 25 there any questions?

- 1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm confused. That's not
- 2 surprising. We asked for clarification. There's a
- 3 separate reallocation item and then an RMDZ item; is that
- 4 correct?
- 5 MS. VILLA: It's one agenda item and the first
- 6 part was for the allocation of the Integrated Waste
- 7 Management Account funding --
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right.
- 9 MS. VILLA: -- and the second part is the
- 10 reallocation of the Recycling Market Development funding.
- MS. JORDAN: The second part of it was for
- 12 concepts that were related to RMDZ funds that we thought
- 13 that we were going to be getting this year out of
- 14 provision 1. When that did not occur, we brought these
- 15 concepts forward anyway. And knowing that we have
- 16 \$379,550 in savings from the previous two fiscal years,
- 17 we looked at the current concepts and the potential for
- 18 reallocating these funds to these 2000-2001 concepts.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: What I'm trying to get at
- 20 is when we've had these discussions in the briefings, I
- 21 want to make sure that it's savings and not issues where
- 22 there are entities out there that have relied upon these
- 23 grants -- funds and all of a sudden we're changing and
- 24 reallocating that. I don't think that's a fair
- 25 situation.

- What I don't understand is on this list, school
- 2 gardens for instance, is reduced from \$275,000 to
- 3 \$150,000. There is a statutory provision that we have to
- 4 give preferential treatment to that particular program.
- 5 That's within the legislation. I will be happy to read
- 6 that legislation as well. So what I'm finding out is
- 7 what is the savings and then what is the RMDZ allocation.
- 8 There's two things. If someone hasn't completed a
- 9 contract that's one thing, but we are in that gray area
- 10 where there are some of these which have gone forward and
- 11 people are relying upon this money that we are now
- 12 cutting this money.
- MS. VILLA: I guess I can address that. The
- 14 list before you on it Attachment E is the -- these are
- 15 new proposals this year. These were originally intended
- 16 for funding from the 2000-2001 Governor's budget where we
- 17 thought we were going to get the additional provisional,
- 18 but we didn't. And so to fund any of these brand-new
- 19 concepts, the only way we could fund any of them would be
- 20 from savings from the previous two allocations, from the
- 21 98-99 fiscal year and the 99-2000 fiscal year.
- 22 The savings that we were able to identify is the
- 23 \$379,550, and we have a chart that shows where that
- 24 savings came from, and these are brand-new concepts that
- 25 we can allocate those fundings to.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And the sheet that was
- 2 handed out is different from the sheet that we were
- 3 briefed on.
- 4 MS. JORDAN: You have two separate issues, I
- 5 think, is what you're addressing. In the 99-2000, some
- 6 of these same types of concepts were allocated by the
- 7 Board. These on this sheet that you're looking here that
- 8 says revised Attachment E, this is exactly the 2000-2001
- 9 request. It is not in any relation to the 99-2000. Some
- 10 of them are expansions or continuations of the 99-2000,
- 11 but these are brand-new.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Well, but the sheet is
- 13 different than what we were handed in our packet. I have
- 14 here that it was executive staff's recommendation for
- 15 \$40,000 for -- it looks to be either sustainable
- 16 landscape education and partner program and organics -- I
- 17 can't tell which one it is -- and on the list I got today
- 18 there's nothing there. So this is a different sheet than
- 19 what we were briefed on.
- MS. JORDAN: What we handed out this morning is
- 21 that we were asked at the briefing for exec staff to go
- 22 back and take a look at bringing the savings that was
- 23 available of \$379,000 more in alignment with what the
- 24 current 2000-2001 proposals are, and that's what this new
- 25 sheet reflects.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: So for purposes of just
- 2 where we are, then this would be a sheet where we could
- 3 put Senator Roberti's AB 75. I just want to make sure
- 4 that this is where we're going.
- 5 MS. JORDAN: This will be the sheet that we work
- 6 from, yes.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay.
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: The sheet that we're
- 10 currently working on is the one that just says revised
- 11 executive staff recommendation? That's the latest one?
- 12 MS. VILLA: Yes. That's the latest sheet.
- 13 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Some of the things went
- 15 from -- Mr. Eaton is pointing out from funding to zero,
- 16 and I'm looking down the list and trying to sort out,
- 17 but the conversion technology workshops, I guess, are
- 18 among those and then several others.
- 19 What sort of criteria were used in deciding what
- 20 gets the bucks and what doesn't get the bucks?
- 21 MS. JORDAN: What exec staff did was we went
- 22 back and we took a look at what we had previously been
- 23 funding. We also took a look at -- one of the requests
- 24 that came from the briefing was to develop a listing of
- 25 the previous two fiscal years' worth of funding and the

- 1 categories we funded against. And in doing so -- could
- 2 we put that chart up, please? In doing so, what it
- 3 appeared to look like is that not a whole lot had been
- 4 addressed in the area of one of the Governor's main
- 5 initiatives, which is education. So we went through with
- 6 that in mind as far as criteria and prioritized based on
- 7 that.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: In terms of what's not
- 9 going to get done, what's not going to be done like the
- 10 green building program and this organics cross-media
- 11 program? What are we losing out on here?
- 12 MS. JORDAN: With regards to the green
- 13 building -- did you also say organics?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm sorry. I'm trying
- 15 to compare. The two charts don't line up so I'm trying
- 16 to figure out what got cut out.
- 17 MS. VILLA: The ones that are different from the
- 18 original chart are Concept Number 35 went to zero. It
- 19 was originally at \$40,000 for the executive staff
- 20 recommendation. Concept Number 39, the cross-media
- 21 partnerships went from \$85,000 to zero, and 26 went from
- 22 \$50,000 to zero. And the school district diversion went
- 23 down \$25,000.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Back to the question of
- 25 what are we missing out on as a result of that. What are

- 1 we not going to be funding?
- 2 MS. VILLA: Concept 35 is the sustainable
- 3 landscape educational program partnerships, and the
- 4 concept would further the efforts that the Board has made
- 5 in the area of grass-cycling and landscape management by
- 6 targeting audiences that play a key role in landscape
- 7 management including the state licensing agencies,
- 8 educational institutions and industry associations.
- 9 Concept 39, the conversion technology workshops,
- 10 this concept would initiate new partnerships with state
- 11 agencies and continue with some that have common
- 12 interests in the management of organic materials, for
- 13 example, our partnership with the Department of Food and
- 14 Ag.
- 15 And on green building technology support the
- 16 contractor would provide critical technical support to
- 17 the goals and objectives to the Board's sustainable
- 18 building plan, in particular the work the Board is doing
- 19 with the Department of General Services regarding
- 20 identifying a high profile prototype building for
- 21 highlighting and using as a model.
- 22 And Concept Number 42 would be -- the grant
- 23 program would be reduced by \$25,000.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: On -- let's take the
- 25 green building just for an example right now. We do

- 1 have -- there is an executive order on green buildings.
- 2 There is also a piece of legislation by Deborah Bowen on
- 3 the Governor's desk with regards to green buildings.
- 4 Will we not be able to do things that might be required
- 5 either under the Executive Order or if the legislation
- 6 were to be signed or any other legal requirements that
- 7 might be out there if we don't fund that green building
- 8 portion?
- 9 MS. JORDAN: I would have to defer to program
- 10 staff on that.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Perhaps again I think
- 12 there's some monies that may be available that may not be
- 13 familiar with it, and I want to first make reference to
- 14 Ms. Moulton-Patterson, our Chair, that it's not directed
- 15 at her because this is a program I know that's very near
- 16 and dear to her heart, but there is the RCBP in-school
- 17 construction collaborative for high performance schools.
- 18 We're allocating \$100,000. My understanding is that we
- 19 gave them \$200,000 last year and they haven't spent a
- 20 dime of it and we're going to be giving another \$100,000
- 21 this year. And furthermore, we have just received here
- 22 in the state of California \$3.5 million of grants from
- 23 the Department of Energy for, quote, "To develop, test
- 24 and expand the use of clean energy technologies and
- 25 greening in our schools." So we're getting additional

- 1 more money into that pot.
- So the question that I would have to see if we
- 3 can allocate is if indeed that money wasn't spent, should
- 4 we be giving them more money; and if not, then perhaps
- 5 there's money for green building that we can put into it
- 6 as part of the schools program, not taking from an energy
- 7 side but taking it for the green building side. Are
- 8 you -- go ahead.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I just wanted to
- 10 comment on that, that it hasn't been spent or -- Mr. Orr.
- 11 I just want to understand and I agree if it hasn't. We
- 12 have lots of other things.
- MR. ORR: Well, in terms of the money that we
- 14 entered into an interagency agreement with the Energy
- 15 Commission, I don't know whether or not the dollars that
- 16 we allocated have been invoiced yet, but I know that the
- 17 work that we're contributing the money for is in the
- 18 process of being done.
- 19 Probably the most notable things currently that
- 20 are being done is a design guide of best practices is
- 21 currently available in draft form. That's one of the
- 22 work products that was part of our money. And then
- 23 probably the next item is that there will be two
- 24 workshops that will be held in Southern California for
- 25 school district folks on high performance schools at the

- 1 end of October.
- 2 So those are two key work products that while
- 3 that money may not have been invoiced, that work is
- 4 currently being done. I think that we do have money that
- 5 will be spent over a period of time in accordance with
- 6 the work plan, but the money that we're envisioning for
- 7 the high performance schools here would be for work
- 8 that's not yet been contemplated in that work plan or
- 9 specifically the establishment of demonstration schools.
- 10 The Energy Commission is looking at part of this effort
- 11 to try to establish eight demonstration schools in this
- 12 state and I think what we would be looking to is to have
- 13 some money to contribute toward that effort.
- 14 The work is currently under way for the money
- 15 that we have allocated, and the request that we have
- 16 before you would be to allocate for additional work
- 17 that's not yet been funded.
- 18 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: They have about a couple of
- 20 million dollars; right?
- 21 MR. ORR: I think you're referring to -- are you
- 22 referring to the new legislation that was just signed?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: No. No.
- 24 MR. ORR: Ours is actually --
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm talking about the

- 1 Energy Commission's pot that we've put in that we haven't
- 2 been invoiced.
- 3 MR. ORR: Our money was only a small fraction.
- 4 My understanding was that they have put in approximately
- 5 a million-plus dollars and then we augmented that by
- 6 \$200,000 to focus more on the materials and green
- 7 building part as opposed to the energy part.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And they've only spent
- 9 about \$100,000 of that.
- MR. ORR: It's a three-year work plan.
- 11 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Is that million or \$2
- 12 million from like PG&E and -- aren't they partners?
- 13 MR. ORR: It's probably public good's money.
- 14 Yeah. That would be part of it.
- 15 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's what I was trying to
- 17 be protective of is this \$100,000 part of the plan that
- 18 we're going forward through, but from your testimony it's
- 19 the stuff that isn't part of that three-year work plan,
- 20 it's just what might be done in the future.
- 21 MR. ORR: Right.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Without -- we haven't even
- 23 completed the three-year work plan.
- 24 MR. ORR: Correct.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.

- 1 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think one other thing
- 3 that when we talk about we're not going to put into money
- 4 into green building or into the organics side as far as
- 5 the grass-cycling, I think that has to be maybe on this
- 6 go-around, but didn't we put in close to \$300,000 or
- 7 something or \$200,000 in grass-cycling activity over the
- 8 last two years through northern and Southern California?
- 9 I think we -- we allocated \$7 million over the last two
- 10 years to promote markets for recycled goods and I
- 11 don't -- I'm not sure that there was a category that
- 12 didn't get touched by that \$7 million.
- 13 So maybe the more prudent thing might be to do a
- 14 partial allocation here dealing with the AB 75 video and
- 15 maybe something else, and maybe the next go-around we can
- 16 get a summary of the dollars, where they were spent, how
- 17 much on green building, what were the items, how much on
- 18 sustainability, how much on grass-cycling to give
- 19 everybody a better view.
- We spent over \$7 -- we've allocated \$7.6 million
- 21 that has had tremendous impact throughout this state and
- 22 I understand exactly what you're trying to do is say
- 23 here's the dollars you haven't allocated, where do you
- 24 want to put it.
- 25 I think the AB 75 video is critical. I think

- 1 that some of the other things. Maybe if you come back
- 2 with some of the issues that Mr. Eaton brought up and the
- 3 Chair, maybe we would have that in a different frame.
- 4 Does that make sense?
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: It does. I wouldn't
- 6 want to take out anything with the school gardens.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm protective of the
- 8 program. That's why I mentioned it, that I wanted to
- 9 make sure that we're spending the money and getting them
- 10 going because it is important, especially with the
- 11 schools, the schools and the state agencies, the two S's
- 12 are the ones that have really caused us the problems in
- 13 terms of reaching overall goals and whatever we can do to
- 14 help those out is where I want to continue. So I want to
- 15 be very careful that if we didn't allocate those monies
- 16 or what have you.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And I've got an issue,
- 18 Madam Chair, that the conversion technology things that
- 19 we're talking about. If there was never a time in
- 20 history looking at the newspaper every day when people
- 21 are laying in front of trucks because there isn't enough
- 22 fuel to power the equipment and with the issues that
- 23 we're dealing with with no-sulfur diesel fuels in the
- 24 South Coast Air District, this technology that we're
- 25 talking about having a discussion about is not about

- 1 burning garbage. It's about the next step in solid waste
- 2 management where you take cellulose and turn it into
- 3 fuel.
- 4 I mean think about where we came from and what
- 5 we've been doing. Mr. Paparian and I have been doing a
- 6 little bit of work, as did others around here, on trying
- 7 to make sure that this state stayed involved and
- 8 understood those issues, but I think the issues around
- 9 gas crises and those types of things, we had better
- 10 understand this may be potentially an answer in the
- 11 long-term that can be coming out of our disposal trucks
- 12 and transfer stations and material recovery facilities as
- 13 well as our fields of harvested rice.
- 14 I would not want to see this Board not take that
- 15 seriously because it is the next generation of where
- 16 we're going to go. You can only compost so much stuff
- 17 and you can only use so much ADC. You've got to start
- 18 looking outside of the box and this would help facilitate
- 19 that discussion on our terms.
- 20 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any other comments?
- 21 Anybody like to make a motion for this?
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I only want to do a partial
- 25 allocation here and that would be of \$50,000 for the AB

- 1 75 video and \$100,000 to the diversion -- what's the one
- 2 that's mandated? Diversion grants, AB 75 diversion
- 3 grants.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I think it's 43. AB 75
- 5 diversion grants, 43. And then school gardens.
- 6 Statutorily school gardens we have to give preferential
- 7 treatment to under the legislation that was signed and
- 8 put in the budget, and then 43 is part of the
- 9 legislation. So 45 and 43. I don't know about 42.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's the diversion grant,
- 11 AB 75 -- I don't know.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Could somebody explain to
- 13 me what exactly 42 is?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Yeah. I don't --
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: We're not sure.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I just don't know.
- 17 MS. VILLA: The brief summary is this concept is
- 18 to provide funding for school districts to assist them in
- 19 implementing their waste diversion programs and
- 20 procurement programs.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: That's not terribly --
- 22 I'm still kind of in the dark.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Is that the contract we
- 24 voted on back in May? It's different?
- 25 MR. SCHIAVO: Good afternoon. Pat Schiavo

- 1 again.
- 2 Item 42 is to provide school district funding in
- 3 grants. We haven't put an amount yet, but the idea is to
- 4 provide some kind of seed money for particular school
- 5 districts throughout the state to get their enhancements
- 6 to diversion programs, whether they be existing or
- 7 implement brand-new programs, but it's in concept only.
- 8 There's not a lot of specifics to it at this point in
- 9 time.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: How does it relate to
- 11 the contract we put out in May?
- 12 MR. SCHIAVO: The contract in May is for model
- 13 school district diversion programs, and this could
- 14 actually be an adjunct to that. Once we start putting in
- 15 place I believe about a half dozen models, then we can
- 16 utilize information from that for giving out grants.
- 17 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: While you're
- 18 formulating your motion, Mr. Jones, I would just like
- 19 to -- and I might not have all these numbers right, but
- 20 speak to keeping as much that go to the schools in as
- 21 possible. I know last year when we were going through
- 22 this process, and I was very new, but there was \$7
- 23 million, I think, going to concepts and only \$345,000 was
- 24 for schools. I just feel -- I know you get tired of
- 25 hearing it, but I feel unless we influence our children

- 1 in the schools and do everything we can to the schools,
- 2 you know I think it's just critical.
- 3 So I'm going to fight every time for schools and
- 4 so I would just really hope that we could leave as much
- 5 that touches the schools in as possible.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Question. On the
- 9 instructional -- school instructional gardens, that is in
- 10 statute. What other of the school ones are the
- 11 nearest -- which ones do you think have the biggest need
- 12 of the -- I mean the school construction one seems like
- 13 that's one that Department of Energy is going to help
- 14 fund.
- 15 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think that Number 42
- 16 and then the school gardens would be the most important
- 17 to me because if we can further that program, it is
- 18 teaching the kids by example and we can have children
- 19 involved. So those two would be my first choice.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: To not be a -- let me just
- 21 ask you a question. The AB 75 recycling grant, if we did
- 22 it \$150,000 and \$50,000 was for the video, that would
- 23 provide the grants that are required by law plus the
- 24 funding for the video; right? The school district
- 25 diversion grants, the request was \$250,000. I want to

- 1 come back to that because I want to do the math, but
- 2 let's say less than that obviously. The school
- 3 instructional gardens at \$100,000.
- 4 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, staff's
- 5 recommending \$150,000. I would like to see it stay at
- 6 \$150,000. I would rather see -- that's my number one
- 7 choice. I don't know how other Board Members feel. I
- 8 think it's really an important project.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Because we have \$379,000
- 10 total.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: On the diversion grants,
- 12 could we, Madam Chair, lower that one a little bit?
- 13 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yeah. I would rather
- 14 see that one lowered than the other, than the
- 15 instructional gardens.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Right now it's budgeted
- 17 at what, \$150,000. \$125,000?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Since everybody is trying
- 21 to work this one portion, is there any way we can
- 22 continue this until tomorrow, this one piece, and let
- 23 people think about what their preferences are?
- 24 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: That's fine with me.
- 25 How does the Board feel about this? Okay. Hearing no

- 1 objection.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Keep the education. I like
- 3 that.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Take it up first thing.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: First thing in the
- 6 morning we'll take this up so we can really take a look
- 7 at it. Now, on Number 2 do we still adopt a resolution
- 8 or we wait until this piece is done?
- 9 MS. VILLA: When this piece is completed it can
- 10 be adopted through resolution.
- 11 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. I would
- 12 like to, as I said this morning, take -- well, I had
- 13 promised to take two out of order and hear them today,
- 14 Number 15 and then Number 20, and then I had a request to
- 15 take the WRAP awards, Number 5, out of order because
- 16 people are here today and as a courtesy I would like to
- 17 do this. So I would like to do 5 now, then 15 and then
- 18 20, and then maybe we'll take a break.
- 19 Number 5, please. This is consideration of
- 20 approval of designation of the 2000 Waste Reduction
- 21 Awards Program winners or WRAP awards.
- 22 MS. WOHL: Madam Chair, Board Members, Patti
- 23 Wohl, Waste Prevention and Market Development Division.
- 24 Item 5, consideration of approval of designation
- 25 of the 2000 Waste Reduction Awards Program WRAP winners.

- 1 Jeff Hunts will present.
- MR. HUNTS: Good afternoon, Board Members.
- 3 Before I begin, I believe --
- 4 MS. TOBIAS: Excuse me.
- 5 MR. HUNTS: -- legal has a few preamble words.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 7 MS. TOBIAS: It's not a few, it's actually more.
- 8 Let me read a statement just because it needs to be in
- 9 the record on conflict of interest with a few of the
- 10 Board Members this afternoon.
- 11 The Political Reform Act prohibits public
- 12 officials from making or participating in the making of a
- 13 governmental decision in which he or she knows or has
- 14 reason to know that he or she has a qualifying conflict
- 15 of interest. A public official has a conflict of
- 16 interest if the decision will have a reasonably
- 17 foreseeable material financial affect on one or more of
- 18 his or her economic interests.
- 19 The potential WRAP awards winners listed in this
- 20 agenda item would be considered to be directly involved
- 21 in a governmental decision because they filed an
- 22 application for a WRAP award and are the subject matter
- 23 of the item. The general rule for business entities
- 24 directly involved in a decision is that the affect of the
- 25 decision is material simply because it is directly

- 1 involved in the decision, regardless of the actual
- 2 monetary impact, unless there is absolutely no monetary
- 3 impact on the entity.
- 4 All that, suffice to say, is basically to set
- 5 the stage for the Members who will not be voting on
- 6 several of the items. So this general rule will apply to
- 7 three of the Board Members who have interests in 19 of
- 8 the companies listed in Attachment 1, and we passed that
- 9 out to the Board Members. None of the Board Members have
- 10 an interest in the same company. So in order to avoid a
- 11 conflict of interest based upon consultation with the
- 12 Fair Political Practices Commission, the discussion on
- 13 this item and the voting on this item will be segregated
- 14 as follows:
- 15 All members may discuss the issues identified in
- 16 the agenda item related to review of compliance with
- 17 CIWMB regulatory programs because none of the companies
- 18 in which Board Members have an interest will be impacted
- 19 by this issue. Board Members Eaton, Paparian and Roberti
- 20 will abstain from participating in the discussion
- 21 regarding any other part of this item. The vote on the
- 22 resolution for this item will be done through four
- 23 separate motions so that no Board Member will be voting
- 24 regarding the company or companies in which he has an
- 25 interest, and so I will provide more of the details once

- 1 you get to the motion and the voting on that.
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I will be calling on
- 3 you for the motions.
- 4 MS. TOBIAS: Thank you.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thanks.
- 6 MR. HUNTS: Thank you. My name is Jeff Hunts.
- 7 I'm a supervisor of the Business Resource Efficiency Unit
- 8 within Waste Prevention and Market Development. And let
- 9 me take this opportunity to wish you all a happy National
- 10 Pollution Prevention Week. As noted, this item requests
- 11 that the Board consider approval of the proposed list of
- 12 Waste Reduction Award Program winners for the year 2000.
- 13 The WRAP program this year received well over
- 14 1,900 applications, more than triple last year's
- 15 record-setting effort. These applications have been
- 16 scored and 1,898 applicants have scores that qualify them
- 17 for the WRAP award. A list of the proposed winners is
- 18 contained in Attachment 1. All the proposed winners were
- 19 reviewed for compliance with the Board regulatory
- 20 program.
- 21 By way of a very short history of the WRAP
- 22 program, it was established in 1992 as a program to
- 23 recognize businesses and non-profit organizations who
- 24 voluntarily reduced their waste and assist local
- 25 jurisdictions in meeting their AB 939 goals. The first

- 1 application and awards cycle took place actually in 1993.
- 2 There were 149 winners then. Last year there were 566
- 3 winners. It should be noted that the 566 winners last
- 4 year reported a cumulative diversion of 1.5 million tons
- 5 and a net savings of \$30 million.
- 6 This year, the eighth year of the program, the
- 7 goal was set for the millenium to reach 1,000 winners and
- 8 we actually received nearly 2,000 applications. The
- 9 proposed winners for the year 2000 as noted, 1,898, over
- 10 triple last year, I would like to commend staff and the
- 11 students for scoring all of the applications. It was an
- 12 extraordinary effort.
- 13 All of the applications went through a
- 14 compliance review with the Board's regulatory programs.
- 15 That would include Permitting and Enforcement review,
- 16 newspaper and trash bag certification minimum content
- 17 review, and a review with regards to the Rigid Plastic
- 18 Packaging Container program, RPPC.
- 19 There were five proposed WRAP winners whose
- 20 parent corporation have RPPC issues. As I just said, the
- 21 parent companies of five of the WRAP winners, proposed
- 22 WRAP winners, were identified as being out of compliance
- 23 with the 1996 RPPC compliance year and are currently
- 24 under agreements with the Waste Board to bring them into
- 25 compliance by January of next year, 2001. The five

- 1 applicants are 3-M of Monrovia in Los Angeles County; 3-M
- 2 in Petaluma in Sonoma County; Toro Irrigation Division of
- 3 Riverside County; Pep Boys in Vernon, Los Angeles County;
- 4 and Pennzoil, also in Vernon of Los Angeles County.
- 5 Because WRAP is a voluntary recognition program,
- 6 not a regulatory program, the WRAP program has deferred
- 7 to the recommendation of the RPPC program and is
- 8 recommending to the Board to suspend award of WRAP
- 9 recognition to these five businesses.
- 10 So with that, staff's recommendation is for the
- 11 Board to accept the WRAP 2000 applications scoring
- 12 process and approve all of the 1,898 businesses contained
- 13 in Attachment 1, those with qualifying scores, as the
- 14 year 2000 WRAP winners but suspend the award to the five
- 15 applicants whose parent companies have been identified as
- 16 being under Rigid Plastic Packaging compliance agreements
- 17 until such time as the companies meet their compliance
- 18 agreements; and furthermore, to direct staff to promote
- 19 these winners during this week, National Pollution
- 20 Prevention Week, and do this through adopting Resolution
- 21 2000-382 as amended to not have the conflict of interest
- 22 issues.
- 23 MS. TOBIAS: Madam Chair, could I make a
- 24 suggestion on that? When it comes time, I might suggest
- 25 the Board vote separately on the staff's suggestion of

- 1 suspending those applicants and then awarding it once
- 2 they're complied as opposed to doing the whole motion.
- 3 You'll notice that in your resolution at the moment it's
- 4 one of the -- I think it's in the resolution section of
- 5 the whole resolution, but I might suggest the whole Board
- 6 can vote on that particular issue and so I think it might
- 7 be clear and also set out kind of a policy for what the
- 8 Board is doing if we vote on that separately, so it's
- 9 just a suggestion.
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 11 MR. HUNTS: Is there any questions?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I hope I don't stray
- 13 from what I'm supposed to talk about and not talk about.
- 14 I raised a question during the workshop about companies
- 15 that are subject to enforcement actions outside of the
- 16 Waste Board. In particular, I was aware of at least one
- 17 company that had a major recent action against it with
- 18 regards to air quality and water quality violations.
- 19 I'm not objecting to anybody on this list based
- 20 on that issue, but I wanted to alert the Board that I do
- 21 intend to follow up to find out whether in similar awards
- 22 programs at other entities within state government there
- 23 are any efforts made to look at enforcement actions
- 24 against those companies, and then based on that and other
- 25 stuff that my office might gather I might want to come

- 1 back to the Board with some suggestions for next year.
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you for
- 3 bringing that up. We do have a speaker. Do Board
- 4 Members have any questions before I call on the speaker?
- 5 Hearing none, Bill Tomasic.
- 6 MR. TOMASIC: Close enough.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sorry.
- 8 MR. TOMASIC: I just heard this gentleman say
- 9 that he wasn't going to -- staff was recommending that, I
- 10 believe, Pep Boys and what have you are not going to be
- 11 allowed to be granted a WRAP award, it's going to be
- 12 suspended or something of that type. I think that's very
- 13 highly unfair. I don't know the nature of anybody else
- 14 other than the Toro Company in that the Toro Company has
- 15 taken the last year and a half in the irrigation division
- 16 in Riverside and has actually reduced reduction of
- 17 landfill diversion to the tune of over a hundred tons of
- 18 sprinklers, used garden golf course sprinklers, ones that
- 19 I hit with my club quite often. And Mr. Nuffer, I
- 20 believe, I've not met him but we understand that the Toro
- 21 Company has been very, very diligent in being compliant
- 22 with the Rigid Plastic regulations.
- 23 So what I want to say is if we're not awarded
- 24 that on the merit of our WRAP award application, that is
- 25 totally unfair.

- 1 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very much.
- 2 MR. TOMASIC: Thank you.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: We will take that into
- 4 consideration.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: What company?
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Was that Toro?
- 7 MR. TOMASIC: Toro Irrigation in Riverside.
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: That was your
- 9 suggestion to vote on those separately?
- 10 MS. TOBIAS: I'm suggesting that the Board could
- 11 vote on this one, the compliance issue where there's a
- 12 pending enforcement action. So you could either vote on
- 13 that and with respect to all of them at once, or the way
- 14 the resolution was written it was folded into that, but
- 15 both for the fact that this is somewhat setting a future
- 16 direction and the fact that all Board Members can vote on
- 17 that particular issue, I thought it might be best to
- 18 resolve that first and then move on to where each Board
- 19 Member may not be voting on a specific award.
- 20 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, I just want to
- 22 ask the speaker a couple of questions because I think he
- 23 and I share the same view.
- 24 MR. TOMASIC: We're about the same size.
- 25 (Laughter)

- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Don't talk bad about
- 2 yourself like that. Give yourself a break.
- 3 (Laughter)
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That was a huge, huge
- 5 statement.
- 6 (Laughter)
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: You came up from Riverside?
- 8 You run that division and came up?
- 9 MR. TOMASIC: I am the head of innovative waste
- 10 management and I'm a consultant to the Toro Company. I
- 11 have with me Mr. Richard Torres who is the manager of the
- 12 project. And again, this is so important as an example.
- 13 In this particular case, the Toro Company hired Ability
- 14 Counts, which is a handicapped group, and they're
- 15 employed steadily in the reduction of this program of
- 16 materials that are going to a landfill. So it's an
- 17 ongoing project. It's not a geez, that's nice,
- 18 let's-put-a-plaque-on-the-wall-kind of thing. And that's
- 19 what the WRAP awards is all about. It's not plaques on
- 20 the wall.
- 21 The staff here has done a fantastic job. You
- 22 talk about educational items and things that can go
- 23 forward with are WRAP awards, and when somebody has a
- 24 non-compliance or something to just stand up and say
- 25 don't give them anything, that's not fair. I'm angry

- 1 about it. I'm sorry. Now, if it's a gross violation,
- 2 that's one thing, but when companies are striving, it's
- 3 not easy to be compliant in the state of California.
- 4 We're from Riverside and this is being handled in
- 5 Bloomington, Minnesota.
- 6 So again, the WRAP award is a very, very
- 7 important thing in the business world today and it should
- 8 be carried forward very, very strongly because it's
- 9 proven fact. It's not geez, it would be nice. This is
- 10 materials that have been going to landfill and
- 11 particularly plastics. Worse thing in the world going to
- 12 landfill right now is plastic other than toxic or
- 13 hazardous.
- 14 So again, that's what I'm saying about the whole
- 15 thing.
- 16 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Yes, Madam Chair. I've
- 18 given this a little thought since we were briefed on it
- 19 last week and I felt free to give it some thought after
- 20 counsel said I could --
- 21 (Laughter)
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: But I waited for
- 23 clearance here. I can't think we should follow the old
- 24 adage don't change rules in the middle of the stream.
- 25 Otherwise those companies that have engaged in something

- 1 positive, even though they may have a violation pending,
- 2 not necessarily found, are going to be penalized for
- 3 having done the right thing because then they feel they
- 4 were in a better position if nobody had brought up the
- 5 WRAP award and hadn't even offered rather than it be
- 6 offered and taken away. So I don't think that's the way
- 7 to go.
- 8 There is -- there is merit for our giving
- 9 consideration to somebody who has a pending violation,
- 10 but I don't think we should punish those who have done
- 11 the right thing, may have a violation, and then be
- 12 publicly slapped, not for the violation but be publicly
- 13 slapped by having the thing they did good taken away from
- 14 them. Maybe we should reexamine the rules.
- MR. TOMASIC: Like an out-of-state ticket when
- 16 you get right down to it.
- 17 (Laughter)
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I don't think now is the
- 19 time to do it.
- 20 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Senator
- 21 Roberti. Mr. Jones, I think I cut you off.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I couldn't have said it any
- 23 better than the Senator did obviously.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: That was my business
- 25 dissertation for the month.

- 1 (Laughter)
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And it matched closely to
- 3 my environmental standards of promoting exactly what he
- 4 does. Toro is looking at a two-ounce bottle that leaks
- 5 when the solvent is added to it and trying to get the
- 6 recycled content, and they're working on it. That has
- 7 nothing to do with bookkeeping.
- 8 MR. TOMASIC: The interesting thing, just a side
- 9 line, where I believe this gentleman gets, I believe he
- 10 had 1.5 million tons of diversion. I can tell you right
- 11 now that's not corrugated boxes and -- I don't know --
- 12 aluminum cans or some of the standard recyclables. This
- 13 is hard stuff and that's what's the most important thing
- 14 of the WRAP award.
- 15 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very much.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 17 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones, did you
- 18 want to make a motion?
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I want to make a motion.
- 20 I'm understanding I have to make these in this order?
- 21 MS. TOBIAS: Right. Exactly.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay. Madam Chair.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Excuse me just one
- 24 moment so I understand. I thought you wanted us to take
- 25 this exception first.

- 1 MS. TOBIAS: I think what he can do if it's the
- 2 sense of the Board that you basically want to award to
- 3 all of the winners and not hold any back, then all we
- 4 need to do is change the resolution in the resolved
- 5 clause and just take that language out that says, "But
- 6 suspend the award to the five applicants," and in that
- 7 case you could just basically go through all those.
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sorry, Mr. Jones.
- 9 MS. TOBIAS: Does that make sense?
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes. Mr. Jones.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, I'm going to
- 12 make four motions here. I want to move adoption of
- 13 Resolution 2000-382 to be revised to reflect -- we're
- 14 going to do Cisco Systems; right? So I'm moving
- 15 2000-382, the adoption of Cisco Systems and their
- 16 subsidiaries to be awarded the WRAP award.
- 17 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll second that.
- 18 Moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Moulton-Patterson.
- 19 MS. TOBIAS: I'll just point out that Board
- 20 Member Eaton is not voting on this item.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: On the advice of counsel.
- MS. TOBIAS: On the advice of counsel.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Thank you. I learned,
- 24 Senator.
- 25 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: So this is Resolution

- 1 2000-382 on the Cisco.
- Madam Secretary, please call the roll.
- BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 4 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Do you want to abstain?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I recuse myself on the
- 6 advice of counsel.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you.
- 8 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 10 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 12 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 14 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 16 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 17 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I would like to move
- 21 adoption of Resolution 2000-382 for the following
- 22 companies: IBM Corporate Environmental Programs
- 23 Department in San Jose; the Disneyland Resort in Anaheim;
- 24 Walt Disney Studios in Burbank; Walt Disney Imagery,
- 25 Glendale -- I can't read it with or without my glasses --

- 1 ABC TV Hollywood (Disney) in L.A.
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll second that.
- 3 MS. TOBIAS: And all Board Members will be
- 4 voting on this with the exception of Board Member
- 5 Paparian.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: So it was moved by
- 7 Mr. Jones, seconded by Moulton-Patterson again,
- 8 Resolution 2000-382 on the so noted companies.
- 9 Please call the roll.
- 10 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 12 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 14 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 16 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 18 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, I want to
- 21 move adoption of Resolution 2000-382 for the company
- 22 Medtronic in Corona to receive the WRAP award.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll second that.
- 24 Moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by
- 25 Moulton-Patterson.

- 1 MS. TOBIAS: All Board Members with the
- 2 exception of Senator Roberti may vote on this resolution.
- 3 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 5 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 7 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 9 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 11 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chairman.
- 14 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Jones.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I want to move adoption of
- 16 Resolution 2000-382 to consider approval of designation
- 17 of the 2000 Waste Reduction Award Programs and want to
- 18 amend the resolution to say, "Now, therefore, be it
- 19 resolved that the California Integrated Waste Management
- 20 Board hereby accepts staff's WRAP 2000 application
- 21 scoring and approval of 1,898 businesses in Attachment 1
- 22 qualifying 2000 WRAP applicants as the 2000 Waste
- 23 Reduction Awards Program winners."
- MS. TOBIAS: So I want to make clear that in
- 25 Board Member Jones's motion what he's doing is moving

- 1 both the remaining companies that have not yet been voted
- 2 on and he is making in that motion a change in the
- 3 wording of the resolution. So all the Board Members may
- 4 vote on the motion.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And those five suspended
- 6 companies aren't suspended.
- 7 MS. TOBIAS: Are deleted from that.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Are not deleted. They're
- 9 part of the group.
- 10 MS. TOBIAS: They're deleted from the language
- 11 in the motion.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll second that,
- 13 Mr. Jones.
- 14 It was moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by
- 15 Moulton-Patterson.
- 16 Madam Secretary, please call the roll.
- 17 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 19 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 21 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 23 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 25 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 2 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 At this time we'll take up Item 15, please.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Jones.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: These folks that came up
- 9 from Riverside, I want to thank them. They illustrated
- 10 just how important this program is and probably helped
- 11 deliver a good message.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes. Thank you from
- 13 all the Board Members. We appreciate you coming up.
- 14 This is item 15, public hearing and
- 15 consideration of approval to notice a 15-day comment
- 16 period for proposed revisions to regulations to update
- 17 enforcement-related provisions in Title 14.
- 18 MS. NAUMAN: Good afternoon, Madam Chairman and
- 19 Board Members. Julie Nauman, Permitting and Enforcement
- 20 Division.
- 21 As the Chair just indicated in reading the
- 22 title, this is a public hearing in consideration of
- 23 approval to notice 15-day comment on this regulation
- 24 package. This package addresses through the regulatory
- 25 process a number of legislative changes that occurred in

- 1 1995 with the passage of AB 59 and address enforcement
- 2 activities carried out by the Board as the Local
- 3 Enforcement Agency as well as by your Local Enforcement
- 4 Agencies.
- 5 This package was initiated back in June of 1999
- 6 and the public -- the 45-day public comment period closed
- 7 on May 8th of this year. When we briefed the Board
- 8 Members last week on this item, I indicated to you that
- 9 there was one item that remained at issue in the
- 10 discussion with stakeholders in this package, but that
- 11 we're not aware of any other controversial items. And I
- 12 also indicated to you at that time that we were
- 13 continuing to meet with the stakeholders in an effort to
- 14 reach resolution on this issue.
- I believe that we have reached resolution on
- 16 that issue. The issue being what action of Local
- 17 Enforcement Agencies or Board staff as EA constitute
- 18 enforcement actions that are appealable. Through the
- 19 discussions with all of the stakeholders, which included
- 20 representatives from the California Conference of
- 21 Directors of Environmental Health, which we often refer
- 22 to as CCDEH, as well as LEAs and members of the industry,
- 23 the resolution of this entails -- and at this point ${\tt I}$
- 24 would like to refer you to page 15-21 in your packet
- 25 which is the language of the proposed regulations -- and

- 1 in that Section 18011(a), which the language specifically
- 2 the sentence beginning on line 16 and ending on line 17.
- 3 It is this language that the stakeholders have
- 4 reached agreement on proposing to the Board would be
- 5 deleted from the regulatory package and I'll read that to
- 6 you now. Quote, "A violation is not an enforcement
- 7 action for purposes of requesting a hearing before the
- 8 hearing panel," end of quote. That is the language that
- 9 we will suggest be deleted.
- 10 I think it's important to note, however, that
- 11 through the discussions that ensued over this particular
- 12 provision, all parties were enlightened about the
- 13 respective interests that the stakeholders bring to the
- 14 table. I think there's probably some more work that
- 15 needs to be done on this issue, and so I think that we
- 16 have an agreement among all the stakeholders that we will
- 17 continue to work cooperatively to try and address the
- 18 issues that were raised surrounding the discussion of
- 19 this enforcement issue and the appealability, if there is
- 20 such a word, of those particular kinds of actions.
- 21 Given that this is a public hearing, I would
- 22 expect that you will hear from some of the stakeholders.
- 23 Perhaps some of the individual LEAs may wish to address
- 24 this issue further.
- 25 So unless you have any questions of your staff,

- 1 I would suggest that you open the public hearing to
- 2 comment.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Any
- 4 questions before we go to staff? Okay. We have a number
- 5 of people that wish to speak. I mean speakers. Dan
- 6 Avera.
- 7 MR. AVERA: Good afternoon, Madam Chair and
- 8 Members of the Board. My name is Dan Avera and I'm with
- 9 San Bernardino County Department of Public Health and the
- 10 LEA.
- 11 Today I would like to support the position of
- 12 deleting the one sentence in the definition of a
- 13 violation, and I think the discussions that have taken
- 14 place with the other stakeholders have been productive.
- 15 I want to take this opportunity to thank Waste Board
- 16 staff who have done an excellent job in facilitating
- 17 these meetings and discussions. I think this is a well
- 18 deserved compromised position.
- 19 I think it's important that we move towards a
- 20 future and continue to work with the operators and the
- 21 issue of what is appealable and enforcement actions.
- 22 The goal that I have in San Bernardino County is
- 23 to ensure that the solid waste facilities are operating
- 24 in compliance with the state laws and regulations and
- 25 that if there are violations, that aggressive enforcement

- 1 actions are taken. The enforcement regs have been around
- 2 for -- proposed regs have been around for quite some time
- 3 and I think it's time to move forward and have these
- 4 proposed regulations adopted.
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Justin
- 7 Milan.
- 8 MR. MILAN: Good afternoon, Madam Chair, Board
- 9 Members. Thank you very much for the opportunity. Dan
- 10 has basically said all I wanted to say. I just want to
- 11 echo our thanks to the staff to have worked this out. It
- 12 was quite a touchy issue at times, Julie and Mark and
- 13 others.
- 14 The LEAs did have some concerns and I want to
- 15 commend them on making some compromise on here. They did
- 16 have concerns, as they testified at your Southern
- 17 California meeting last month. They did not want to see
- 18 this result in any chilling of their enforcement
- 19 authority. Whereas on the other hand, we do understand
- 20 that the industry was concerned just the reciprocal.
- 21 They were concerned that they didn't have recourse to
- 22 address their concerns if they felt that the LEA had
- 23 acted inappropriately. So I think we have come up with a
- 24 reasonable resolution to this.
- 25 Thank you for your time. We would like to be

- 1 involved in the process of fine tuning it, whether it's
- 2 in policy guidance documents or whatever so that we can
- 3 ensure that this is workable while we review the process.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Milan.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just real briefly I want to
- 9 apologize to the Board and the stakeholders. I had asked
- 10 last month when this was going down to pull the item
- 11 because all of the folks that normally testify come out
- 12 of the Sacramento region and it wasn't my intent to
- 13 preclude anybody from testifying. So maybe another way
- 14 to look at them the next time one of these issues comes
- 15 up is that the consideration come after the second
- 16 meeting where we can take testimony from north and south.
- 17 But I want to apologize to anybody who may have
- 18 felt slighted. It was not my intent. I just didn't have
- 19 a better solution. It was the end of the legislative
- 20 session. It was just days before this madness was going
- 21 to end and we were preoccupied with the tire bill. So I
- 22 apologize for any discomfort that caused anybody.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Jones.
- 24 Mr. William O'Rullian.
- 25 MR. O'RULLIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair. My

- 1 name is William O'Rullian. I'm with Kern County
- 2 Environmental Health and the LEA.
- 3 My comments are going to be similar to those
- 4 that may be raised by Santa Barbara County LEA. I think
- 5 we see eye to eye with them on this issue, but what I
- 6 would like to add to this is we think that the appeal
- 7 process needs to be standardized, and to focus on this
- 8 one area with regard to solid waste facilities really
- 9 loses the real point.
- 10 Currently we are doing a revocation of a couple
- 11 of permits that for septic pumpers and normally your
- 12 Board doesn't think about septic pumping vehicles, but it
- 13 is part of the LEA responsibility and it is granted to us
- 14 under Title 14. The area of -- that related to septic
- 15 pumpers is actually in the Health and Safety Code, and if
- 16 you look at the appeal processes for some of the LEA
- 17 regulations that we enforce, they are lacking or
- 18 nonexistent. There are areas of the state regulations
- 19 where an appeal process really isn't well defined. So we
- 20 think that rather than going into this one area and
- 21 focusing on appeals on inspections for Solid Waste
- 22 Facility Permits, there needs to be more review for all
- 23 of the actions of an LEA as a whole as it may relate to
- 24 vehicle inspections or other areas that we inspect on
- 25 behalf of the Board.

- 1 So that is our comment and we would not -- we
- 2 would disagree with the option that a violation is
- 3 something that can be appealed or go to a hearing.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 6 Mr. Chuck White.
- 7 MR. WHITE: Thank you, Madam Chair and Members
- 8 of the Board. Chuck White with Waste Management.
- 9 I wanted to just support the staff's
- 10 recommendation to delete that sentence that has been
- 11 echoed by representatives of I think most of the LEAs
- 12 we've been talking to. It has been a very instructive
- 13 and very educational process for all of us over the last
- 14 few weeks, and I think we all gained a better perspective
- 15 of where we're coming from. I think the recommendation
- 16 of the staff to delete that sentence doesn't jeopardize
- 17 anybody's point of view or anybody's position on anything
- 18 but basically resolves it for the time being and we can
- 19 go forward and see how this issue continues to develop
- 20 outside of this rulemaking process.
- 21 So I really support the recommendation the staff
- 22 has made and I urge you to go forward with the
- 23 regulations by deleting that one sentence.
- 24 Thank you.
- 25 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.

- 1 Evan Edgar.
- 2 MR. EDGAR: Madam Chair, Members of the Board,
- 3 Evan Edgar, Edgar and Associates, on behalf of the
- 4 California Refuse Removal Council. We support the staff
- 5 recommendation.
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 8 Mike Sohmaeling.
- 9 MR. SOHMAELING: Good day, Madam Chair, Board
- 10 Members. It's good to see you all again. I'm
- 11 representing not just Santa Barbara County but also the
- 12 Enforcement Advisory Council.
- This has been a long and chewed-on process. I
- 14 appreciate the ability for us to testify last time. As a
- 15 dog-faced regulator, Mr. Jones, I'll chase you down
- 16 wherever you go.
- 17 There were several issues that were a very big
- 18 concern to all of the LEAs and that's regarding the
- 19 definition of enforcement actions, what's appealable,
- 20 what isn't, is an inspection appealable, notation of
- 21 violations, notice of violations. There's lots and lots
- 22 of issues here that are very important, but again, I
- 23 really have got to commend Mark DeBie and Julie Nauman
- 24 and staff that have worked so diligently with this.
- 25 Also CCDH has also been really instrumental in

- 1 trying to get down and hammer and hammer
- 2 because I'll admit it. I've been a stubborn one on this.
- 3 I'm not going to go into a lot of the EAC responses and a
- 4 lot of the arguments because I think within -- it's
- 5 almost 4:00 now. At about 2:00 we reached an agreement.
- 6 So that will give you an idea how this has been hammered
- 7 out.
- 8 We really liked the way the regs were originally
- 9 written. It took a long time to write those and we
- 10 wanted to stick with those, but we can live with the
- 11 compromise that has been reached with the deletion of the
- 12 last sentence. We do want to be sure that there is a
- 13 process available to the operators for addressing
- 14 grievances and we want to be sure that goes through a
- 15 local process first.
- 16 And then finally, we do want to encourage and we
- 17 know that there are steps afoot to standardize inspection
- 18 and enforcement action protocol. We look forward to
- 19 working with the EAC, look forward to working with the
- 20 Waste Board staff and Cal/EPA in meeting those goals.
- 21 Thank you very much.
- 22 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Paul Manasjan.
- MR. MANASJAN: Good afternoon, Madam Board,
- 25 distinguished Board Members. My name is Paul Manasjan.

- 1 I'm Program Manager for the City of San Diego Solid Waste
- 2 Local Enforcement Agency.
- 3 I'm here before you today on behalf of the solid
- 4 waste specialists of Southern California. We are an
- 5 organization that represents 14 LEA jurisdictions from
- 6 southern Cal, including four cities and nine counties.
- 7 We also serve as the Technical Advisory Committee for
- 8 CCDH for the southern region of the state.
- 9 We met yesterday and we are in unanimous
- 10 agreement to support the existing language in the latest
- 11 draft. We commend Board staff for their long and hard
- 12 efforts in preparing that. It took over three years to
- 13 get where we are today. We do acknowledge there may be a
- 14 need to come to some compromise and we reluctantly accept
- 15 the proposal of staff, the latest proposal to eliminate
- 16 that last sentence. We thought it did provide clarity
- 17 and direction to both LEA and the industry on that, but
- 18 we understand we need to compromise. If getting rid of
- 19 that last sentence that states a violation is not an
- 20 enforcement action that is appealable through the hearing
- 21 panel process, we would be okay with that.
- 22 So again, we would like to thank you for this
- 23 opportunity to comment.
- 24 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very much.
- 25 George Nakamura.

- 1 MR. NAKAMURA: Good afternoon, Madam Chair and
- 2 Board Members. Basically I would just like to reiterate
- 3 on behalf of the northern California LEA group, and
- 4 basically Contra Costa LEA in particular, support of the
- 5 recommendation from the staff. Basically I think that
- 6 we're definitely on the right track. Like Paul just
- 7 mentioned, it's almost like a last second decision, but I
- 8 think that we're headed in the right direction. I again
- 9 want to commend the Waste Board staff and we look forward
- 10 to working with them in the future.
- 11 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very much.
- 12 Donald Gambelin.
- 13 MR. GAMBELIN: Good afternoon, Madam Chair,
- 14 Members of the Board. Just keep this brief.
- 15 Donald Gambelin with Norcal Waste Systems and we
- 16 wanted to voice our support for staff's recommendation to
- 17 delete probably one of the most talked about sentences in
- 18 a regulatory package in a while, and it certainly seems a
- 19 shame to drop it since we've talked about it so much.
- 20 Nevertheless, we want to support that.
- 21 (Laughter)
- 22 MR. GAMBELIN: We want to thank Board staff, in
- 23 particular Mark DeBie, Julie Nauman, and others, Suzanne
- 24 Hamilton, for bringing two interested parties together
- 25 with very divergent views on this matter but nevertheless

- 1 being able to orchestrate a compromise between us at the
- 2 end.
- 3 Again we do support staff's recommendation.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Thank you.
- 6 I love it when you guys work this out.
- 7 MS. NAUMAN: That's the way it's supposed to
- 8 work. Madam Chair, just let me in closing, if I might,
- 9 just make a couple of closing comments.
- We appreciate the recognition and compliments
- 11 from those who have testified. It has been a challenge,
- 12 shall we say, but we do appreciate that acknowledgement
- 13 of our work. I would like to take this opportunity to
- 14 acknowledge my staff, which I don't do often enough.
- 15 Brad Penick is sitting here, Suzanne Hamilton and of
- 16 course you all know my sidekick, Mark DeBie, who is here
- 17 faithfully every month whispering in my ear, but these
- 18 people have done a tremendous job. And I thank Kathryn
- 19 Tobias from our legal office who has also weighed in on
- 20 this one because she's lived through the long and ugly
- 21 history on all of this. It was a good effort on
- 22 everyone's part.
- 23 We don't have a resolution because you don't
- 24 need to actually vote on this. We just need an
- 25 indication, your giving us direction to go out for 15-day

- 1 comment period. We are so hopeful that this will be the
- 2 final 15-day period, that we're intending to bring the
- 3 package back to you at your next board meeting for
- 4 purposes of adoption. In the event that we do get more
- 5 comments that need response, then we'll be back asking
- 6 for an additional 15 days. So you kind of know what the
- 7 game plan is here.
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 9 Mr. Eaton.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I just have one question
- 11 that I've learned because sometimes when things get to be
- 12 compromised and deleted they are used as a bolstering in
- 13 argument one, two, three, four years down the road by the
- 14 usual suspects that sometimes testify. This deletion in
- 15 no way prejudices anyone's arguments for or against
- 16 anything; is that correct?
- 17 MS. NAUMAN: That is the understanding among all
- 18 the participants in these negotiations.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Fine.
- 20 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Eaton.
- 21 Hearing no further comment, you have our
- 22 direction to go forth with the 15-day comment period.
- 23 We are going to take a 15-minute break now and
- 24 we'll come back to Number 20 and then we'll go back to
- 25 the regular agenda.

- 1 (Recess taken)
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to call the
- 3 meeting back to order.
- 4 Mr. Eaton, any ex partes.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: No, but I would like to
- 6 party.
- 7 (Laughter)
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: So would I.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'll move.
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Mr. Jones.
- 11 Could we have everyone come back to order please? Thank
- 12 you.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Real quick. Denise
- 14 Delmatier, John Sohmaeling and John Cupps.
- 15 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: None to report at this
- 17 time.
- 18 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I just picked up a
- 20 written communication, a fax from Kern County Waste
- 21 Management Department regarding conformance findings.
- 22 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 23 Senator Roberti.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Yes. I spoke to Mandy
- 25 Rhoades of San Benito County regarding Jack White

- 1 Landfill.
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. And I have
- 3 none.
- We're going to -- and I apologize for skipping
- 5 around today. I don't usually like to do this, but a lot
- 6 of people have been here all day. And so they won't have
- 7 to come back tomorrow, I plan on going to 20, 7 and --
- 8 was it 13? 20, 7 and 13, and then we'll go back to the
- 9 regular order.
- 10 So Number 20.
- 11 MS. CARDOZO: Good afternoon, Madam Chair,
- 12 Board Members. I'm Catherine Cardozo with the Board's
- 13 Office of Local Assistance.
- 14 Item 20 is a discussion of the issues involved
- 15 with conformance findings as they relate to solid waste
- 16 facility permit revisions and the jurisdiction's
- 17 applicable planning documents. Public Resources Code or
- 18 PRC Sections 50000 and 50001 require proposed permits for
- 19 new and expanded solid waste facilities to be reviewed
- 20 for their conformance with the applicable planning
- 21 document. For landfill permits, the document reviewed is
- 22 a Countywide Siting Element prepared only by counties.
- 23 For Non-Disposal Facility permits like a compost facility
- 24 permit, the document reviewed is a Non-Disposal Facility
- 25 Element or NDFE prepared by all jurisdictions.

- 1 PRC Section 50000 is the operative section when
- 2 making a conformance finding for a county that does not
- 3 yet have a Board-approved Countywide Integrated Waste
- 4 Management Plan or CIWMP. This section requires any new
- 5 facility or an expansion to an existing facility that
- 6 would result in a significant increase of waste handled
- 7 by that facility to be identified and described in the
- 8 applicable planning document.
- 9 PRC Section 50001 applies once a county has a
- 10 Board-approved CIWMP. This section requires the location
- 11 of a new or expanded solid waste facility to be
- 12 identified in the applicable planning document. The
- 13 question to be decided today is how the Board interprets
- 14 Section 50001 and hence how the Board staff will make
- 15 conformance findings for new and expanded solid waste
- 16 facilities.
- 17 Staff has proposed a range of four options for
- 18 settling this matter. Board Members were provided with a
- 19 matrix at last week's public briefing that outlines each
- 20 option and the intent, action, steps and potential
- 21 results from implementing each option. There are
- 22 additional copies in the back of the room for those that
- 23 are interested.
- 24 Option one directs staff to pursue legislation
- 25 to delete the conformance finding requirement altogether

- 1 or to amend 50001 so that the conformance finding process
- 2 only is necessary for new facilities.
- 3 Option two directs staff to make a conformance
- 4 finding based on whether the location of a new or
- 5 expanded facility in a proposed permit is identified in
- 6 the applicable planning document for a permit to be in
- 7 conformance. This option is preferred by the vast
- 8 majority of stakeholders as comments at public workshops
- 9 and letters from various parties attest.
- 10 Option three directs staff to base conformance
- 11 on how a proposed permit affects the county's remaining
- 12 fifteen-year capacity.
- Option four directs staff to base conformance on
- 14 the description of a new or expanded facility being the
- 15 same as the description of that facility in the
- 16 applicable planning document.
- 17 Staff's recommendation is that the Board provide
- 18 staff with direction on this matter. That concludes my
- 19 presentation. Are there any questions?
- 20 MR. SCHIAVO: I would like to add one other item
- 21 to this. If the Board does agree on a particular option
- 22 today, staff will be glad to go ahead and put together a
- 23 resolution and bring it back tomorrow as a continued item.
- 24 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you.
- 25 Questions.

- We have a number of speakers. Senator Roberti,
- 2 did you want to speak?
- 3 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: No.
- 4 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sorry. So we'll go
- 5 ahead with the speakers at this time. Larry Sweetser.
- 6 MR. SWEETSER: Good afternoon, Madam Chair,
- 7 Board Members. I'll be real brief. Just on -- I'm Larry
- 8 Sweetser, Sweetser and Associates, on behalf of the
- 9 Regional Council of Rural Counties Environmental Services
- 10 Joint Powers Authority and just supporting the option two
- 11 as described in the letter of the group representing both
- 12 public and private operators. So add our support to
- 13 that. Thank you.
- 14 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Paul
- 15 Yoder.
- 16 MR. YODER: Madam Chair and the Members, Paul
- 17 Yoder on behalf of the Solid Waste Association of North
- 18 American, the California Chapters. We're co-signatories
- 19 to the letter that Mr. Sweetser just referenced.
- I do want to urge the Board to adopt option two.
- 21 I'm here today with two proxies -- I want to note that
- 22 for the record -- one for the California State
- 23 Association of Counties and two for the League of
- 24 California Cities also in support of option two, also I
- 25 think co-signatories to the letter.

- 1 So thank you.
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 3 Susan Reid.
- 4 MS. REID: Good afternoon, Madam Chair, Members
- 5 of the Board. I'm here today representing the Kern
- 6 County Local Task Force and the Waste Management
- 7 Department where I have the responsibility for the
- 8 development and maintenance of both the siting element
- 9 and the unincorporated county Non-Disposal Facility
- 10 Element.
- 11 Kern County Waste Management Department first
- 12 would like to commend Board staff on the extensive
- 13 research and collaborative effort that went into the
- 14 preparation of the agenda item before you today. The
- 15 items being presented -- options being presented by staff
- 16 represent a compilation of input from jurisdictions
- 17 throughout the state.
- Board staff have identified the question, what
- 19 is the purpose of the siting element. In addition to the
- 20 stated purpose of demonstrating that a county has a
- 21 minimum of 15 years of combined disposal capacity, the
- 22 siting element and its required double majority approval
- 23 provides the only mechanism for local government input
- 24 prior to the permit approval.
- 25 Many of the stakeholders present at the

- 1 conformance findings workshops argued that the CEQA
- 2 process is adequate for local approval. In practice,
- 3 however, CEQA documents are rarely circulated to all of
- 4 the cities within a county. The existing legislation,
- 5 Section -- PRC Section 50001 provides for the necessary
- 6 city and county approval of all new or expanded solid
- 7 waste facilities.
- 8 Board staff have presented four options to you
- 9 today. KCWMD does not support option one as we believe
- 10 that the conformance finding is a requirement -- is a
- 11 valid mechanism to determine consistency between a
- 12 proposed permit and the applicable CSE and should not be
- 13 deleted, nor should the words "or expand" be deleted.
- 14 Expansions should trigger an amendment of the
- 15 Countywide Siting Element to assure that adequate
- 16 opportunities exist for public and governmental at both
- 17 local and state levels review and approval. Elimination
- 18 of this statute would circumvent the local approval
- 19 process.
- 20 Option two is to base conformance on location
- 21 identification as defined by your Board. This option
- 22 supports the position that PRC Section 50001 limits the
- 23 Board's role in determining conformance to looking at the
- 24 consistency of a facility's location identification in a
- 25 proposed permit and the applicable CSE. This limitation

- 1 is supported by a majority of the stakeholders present at
- 2 the workshops and the July 11th board meeting.
- 3 Staff offers several possible definitions of
- 4 location identification including a facility address, a
- 5 disposal footprint or some other facility boundary, or a
- 6 dot on the map.
- 7 Kern County Waste Management Department supports
- 8 this option provided that the location identification is
- 9 defined as the aerial extent of the disposal footprint.
- 10 This would provide the necessary local approval process
- 11 for new facilities and expansions while allowing permit
- 12 modifications without the need for a conformance finding
- 13 for minor operational changes such as average daily
- 14 tonnage, days and hours of operation, or increases in
- 15 remaining disposal capacity and/or estimated life of the
- 16 facility due to improved operations or methods of
- 17 calculation.
- 18 While dot on the map or address consistency
- 19 would trigger a CSE amendment for a new facility, no
- 20 amendment would be required for facility expansions, thus
- 21 circumventing the local approval process.
- 22 Option three calls for conformance to be based
- 23 upon the affect of the proposed permit on a county's
- 24 15-year remaining disposal capacity. This operation is
- 25 not supported by current statutes or regulations and does

- 1 not provide for local approval of new facilities or
- 2 expansions and, therefore, is not supported by Kern
- 3 County Waste Management.
- 4 Option four would base conformance on
- 5 consistency between the description of the facility in
- 6 the proposed permit and the facility description in the
- 7 Countywide Siting Element. This option is the method
- 8 currently in use by staff to make conformance findings.
- 9 Kern County Waste Management does not support this option
- 10 either. Problems have arisen in cases where, for
- 11 instance, the remaining capacity of a facility increases
- 12 with time due to improved efficiencies and operating
- 13 methods. Although the actual number of cubic yards has
- 14 increased, the waste footprint of the facility has not
- 15 increased and should not be considered an expansion of
- 16 the facility.
- 17 This method of determining consistency results
- 18 in ambiguity over what constitutes an expansion since
- 19 non-expansions don't require conformance findings. This
- 20 method also requires an interpretation of the statute
- 21 above and beyond what is clearly stated in PRC section
- 22 50000(a)(1). The solid waste facility is a disposal
- 23 facility or transformation facility, the location of
- 24 which is identified in the Countywide Siting Element or
- 25 amendment thereto.

- In conclusion, the Kern County Waste Management
- 2 Department supports option two to base conformance on
- 3 location identification subject to the following
- 4 definitions: Expansion defined as any lateral increase
- 5 in the physical dimensions of the disposal area in acres;
- 6 location to be defined as a legal description of the
- 7 physical limits of the disposal area as defined by Title
- 8 27, Section 20164 and a map drawn to scale showing these
- 9 limits.
- This concludes my presentation. I will be
- 11 happy to answer any questions. Thank you.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very much.
- 13 Mike Mohajer.
- MR. MOHAJER: Madam Chair, Members of the Board,
- 15 my name is Mike Mohajer. I'm representing Los Angeles
- 16 County Public Works.
- 17 I have submitted written comments on this item
- 18 which specifically addresses the finding of conformance
- 19 process for the Countywide Siting Element in L.A. County.
- 20 Putting that issue aside, we also support the
- 21 recommendation number two of the staff with a little
- 22 modification that as the LEA draft the permit, they have
- 23 to ensure that it is consistent with local and land use
- 24 permit. That's pretty important to us.
- 25 That's all I have to say.

- 1 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very much.
- 2 Evan Edgar.
- 3 MR. EDGAR: Madam Chair, Board Members, Evan
- 4 Edgar, Edgar and Associates on behalf of the California
- 5 Refuse Removal Council.
- 6 We are a signatory to the coalition letter and
- 7 we support option two, dot on a map. The Siting Element
- 8 and the NDFE are much like the General Plan. It's about
- 9 land use. As I said there in the agenda briefing, it's
- 10 not a operational document. It's about real estate which
- 11 is location, location, location. But there's some
- 12 concerns from Waste Board Members that that's not enough.
- 13 I believe that existing PRC Code which was
- 14 slightly modified in SB 2202, PRC 41821.1 may satisfy
- 15 some of the regional needs or analytical needs that some
- 16 Waste Board members may have.
- 17 Let me quote from PRC 41821.1(a). "The County
- 18 shall submit a report to the Board summarizing the
- 19 adequacy of the Siting Element and Summary Plan. The
- 20 report on the Siting Element shall discuss any changes in
- 21 disposal capacity, disposal facilities, or any other
- 22 relevant issue. The annual report shall be due on August
- 23 1 to the Board."
- 24 So I believe that for new facilities they have
- 25 to go through the Siting Element and NDFE. They're new,

- 1 they've got to go through the process. Expansion of
- 2 facilities to be part of the annual report following the
- 3 PRC Code with regards to disposal capacity, facility
- 4 types and other relevant issues, and the annual report
- 5 needs to be reviewed by the Waste Board once a year.
- 6 So I believe the aspects of disposal capacity
- 7 and facility issues are adequately addressed in the
- 8 existing PRC and the process that the Waste Board can
- 9 review. So we support option number, two dot on a map,
- 10 while utilizing existing statute on the use of annual
- 11 reports for disposal capacity.
- 12 Thank you.
- 13 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very much.
- 14 Denise Delmatier.
- 15 MS. DELMATIER: Madam Chair, Denise Delmatier
- 16 with Norcal Waste Systems, and we also are a signatory to
- 17 the letter that has been referred to this afternoon that
- 18 represents most of the major associations that represent
- 19 both local government and private industry.
- We have worked on this issue since 1989, since
- 21 we were the sponsor of the bill that had the erroneous
- 22 double joining language that set forth the subsequent
- 23 bills that Assembly Member **Cortese authored to address
- 24 the issues.
- 25 I have just handed the Board members a chart

- 1 that I think most of you versus in the past which
- 2 essentially in the very brief fashion charts out the
- 3 history behind the conformance finding prior to AB 939,
- 4 Assembly Bill 2296, which corrected the problem for the
- 5 gap period and then AB 3001 (Cortese) which addressed the
- 6 issues in the post-gap period.
- 7 If we look at the language that was enacted to
- 8 address the gap period and to address the critical issues
- 9 that came forward after we enacted AB 2295 (Cortese) and
- 10 then subsequent AB 2296 (Cortese), we find that we have
- 11 language that specifically refers to a required finding
- 12 of conformance and description of a permit.
- The post-gap period, however, in AB 3001
- 14 specifically eliminated the reference to description and
- 15 conformance. And I want to briefly quote from a letter
- 16 to the Assembly Daily Journal, which I also just handed
- 17 to Members of the Board, by which Assembly Member Cortese
- 18 offered legislative intent toward the interpretation of
- 19 the gap language. And I want to bring this to the
- 20 attention of the Board Members because I think it is
- 21 very, very instructive as far as what was in the author's
- 22 mind when we looked at the gap, much less when we looked
- 23 at the post-gap period as far as the Board's role in
- 24 making a finding on the Siting Element.
- 25 Specifically, Assembly Member Cortese offered is

- 1 not the intent of AB 2296 to usurp local land use
- 2 authority or local responsibility for the planning,
- 3 permitting or design of solid waste management systems
- 4 and individual facilities.
- 5 Further, it is not the intent of AB 2296 to
- 6 authorize or encourage the Board to arbitrarily overrule
- 7 local approval of a solid waste facility or to impose
- 8 special permit conditions on the majority of facilities
- 9 that will be reviewed by the Board.
- 10 In addition, the Board must recognize that an
- 11 individual facility may only represent one portion of a
- 12 local plan or program design in response to both the AB
- 13 939 recycling requirements and disposal capacity
- 14 requirements. Thus, an individual facility under
- 15 consideration by the Board may not be intended to make a
- 16 significance contribution to the recycling or composting
- 17 rates mandated by AB 939 but may be essential to meeting
- 18 local disposal needs and on that basis alone should not
- 19 be deemed by the Board to prevent or substantially impair
- 20 achievement of the AB 939 recycling goals.
- 21 And finally, it is not the intent of the
- 22 legislature in expanding the responsibility of the Board
- 23 to concur or object to Solid Waste Facility Permits to
- 24 include within that expanded responsibility any authority
- 25 to require modifications to permits that are not

- 1 essential for the city or county to meet the recycling
- 2 requirements prescribed in AB 939.
- 3 So the Board's role, even during the gap, was
- 4 intentionally addressed by the legislature to be limited
- 5 and not to usurp local authority even in permit
- 6 conditions, and that is why in the gap -- in the post-gap
- 7 period, then, those terms were specifically removed.
- 8 In the Board's own analysis of AB 3001, the
- 9 Board's analysis states AB 3001 limits the current law
- 10 conformance finding for solid waste facilities with an
- 11 approved Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan to a
- 12 finding that the area proposed for disposal or a
- 13 transformation facility has been identified.
- 14 And further, the Board's own analysis states
- 15 this bill significantly narrows the nature of Solid Waste
- 16 Facility Permit conformance findings once Countywide
- 17 Integrated Waste Management Plans have been adopted.
- 18 We strongly support, we have always strongly
- 19 supported since AB 939 was enacted, the limited role of
- 20 the Board in reviewing Siting Element findings. The
- 21 finding today that the Board has, if you look at a plain
- 22 reading of the statutory language, is in fact limited and
- 23 refers to location identification.
- 24 We strongly urge the Board to adopt option
- 25 number two which is, in fact, consistent with both the

- 1 intent and the letter of the statutory language as
- 2 described today in my comments in referencing the letter
- 3 to the Assembly Daily Journal by the author of the bill.
- 4 I also brought with me -- if there was any
- 5 confusion as to the original conformance findings, I also
- 6 brought with me letters by both now Senator Scher, the
- 7 author of AB 939, and Assembly Member Cortese that once
- 8 AB 2295 that established their original conformance
- 9 finding by error, that it was never the intent of the
- 10 author of AB 939 nor the author of AB 2295 to have that
- 11 interpretation by the Board be expanded in any other
- 12 fashion than what I just read to you from a Assembly
- 13 Member Cortese.
- 14 Now Senator Scher, then Assembly Member Scher
- 15 wrote, "Specifically I am aware that there may be some
- 16 confusion," now this is on November 7, 1989, right after
- 17 AB 939 was passed, "Specifically I'm aware that there may
- 18 be some confusion over the legal affect of provisions of
- 19 AB 939 and of legislation authored by Assembly Member
- 20 Cortese affecting CoSWMPs. This confusion arose due to
- 21 erroneous double joining language which was inserted in
- 22 Mr. Cortese's measure in the closing days of the
- 23 legislative session."
- 24 Assembly Member Cortese also wrote to the Board.
- 25 "It should also be noted that some conflict developed

- 1 during the final days of the session. For example, late
- 2 double joining amendments to my AB 2295 actually covered
- 3 new policy issues which were already raised and settled
- 4 in AB 939."
- 5 I urge the Board to consider the intent of
- 6 Senator Scher, Assembly Member Cortese, the stakeholders
- 7 who have negotiated and participated in the legislative
- 8 process since 1989 on this issue. I strongly urge the
- 9 Board to adopt option two today and let's put this behind
- 10 us.
- 11 Thank you. Be happy to answer any questions.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 13 Mr. William Arrulian.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair.
- 15 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Excuse me. Senator
- 16 Roberti has a question.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I quess I have a question
- 18 of Denise.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sorry about that.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: The best I can say, the
- 21 law -- I'm not saying what occurred before the double
- 22 joining or after the double joining -- the law is very
- $23\,$ confusing and seems to be moving in alternate directions.
- 24 I understand the point that you're making and that is the
- 25 word "describe" is dropped quite clearly from Section

- 1 50001.
- 2 MS. DELMATIER: As well as the word
- 3 "conformance."
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: As well as the word
- 5 "conformance." Yes. However, I would like you to
- 6 address this point, and that is Section 41700 states each
- 7 county shall prepare a Countywide Siting Element which
- 8 provides a description of the area to be used for the
- 9 development of adequate transformation and disposal
- 10 capacity. That seems to be a section that deals with all
- 11 Countywide Siting Elements. That seems to be the chapter
- 12 under which it occurs.
- 13 And then in Section 41701(d), it says the
- 14 identification of an area -- it uses the word
- 15 "identification" -- or areas for the location of new
- 16 solid waste transformation or disposal facilities or the
- 17 expansion of existing facilities is one of the things
- 18 that should be included in a Siting Element. That also
- 19 comes under Countywide Siting Elements.
- 20 It could be that the word "identification" in
- 21 and of itself includes description. Certainly that is
- 22 what it appears under 41701 because it's defined that
- 23 way. Now, I understand your point.
- 24 MS. DELMATIER: My response would be that the
- 25 section that you refer to is the requirements for a local

- 1 agency in developing a planning document. The Section
- 2 50001 addresses the Board's jurisdiction of authority
- 3 over the document. So the section that you referenced is
- 4 the guiding document in development of this planning
- 5 document that local agencies develop for themselves as a
- 6 planning document.
- 7 The Board's authority then is detailed in 50001
- 8 as far as what it should or should not look at --
- 9 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: But isn't the local
- 10 planning document the basis upon which the Board --
- MS. DELMATIER: Yes, as far as -- as far as --
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Draws its own document?
- 13 MS. DELMATIER: As far as their planning
- 14 document, that's the guidance that's set. But as far as
- 15 the Board's --
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: And isn't it
- 17 reasonable -- I'm not going to say that the definitions
- 18 used in both sections, although it's not under anything
- 19 that says definition, but it's defined in the statute as
- 20 the same. And when the word identification in Section
- 21 41701 seems to include description as well, then the
- 22 dropping of the word "description" between Sections 5000
- 23 and 50001 isn't that significant because identification
- 24 in and of itself includes the word "description." That's
- 25 the other side of the coin from what you're arguing.

- 1 MS. DELMATIER: Right. I would just refer back
- 2 to the letter to the Journal as far as guidance and what
- 3 the author --
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: It's a close case and I
- 5 appreciate the point you're making. This is not an
- 6 artfully drafted law. The statute intended may have been
- 7 artfully drafted, but somewhere along the way, maybe
- 8 because of the double joining, we have this problem we
- 9 have to figure it out, but it strikes me the word
- 10 "identification" consistent with the purpose of this
- 11 Board, and that is to encourage recycling and reduction
- 12 of waste, does include the word "description" and that I
- 13 think comes out clear in Section 41701, hence the
- 14 dropping of the word in the other section is not as
- 15 significant.
- Now I know we can go to court and have 97
- 17 lawyers paid dearly to argue both sides of the case and I
- 18 wouldn't want to venture which side is going to win, but
- 19 as far as my own mentality as to what I think the purpose
- 20 of this Board is, and there's a legitimate handle to
- 21 place our trust on, and that's the description of
- 22 identification -- description being included within the
- 23 word "identification," my inclination is not to go with
- 24 the dot on the map.
- 25 MS. DELMATIER: And I respect your point of view

- 1 as always.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Thank you. And I want
- 3 you to know why because I appreciate what you're saying.
- 4 You make very good sense and the right Supreme Court
- 5 might go your way and the right Supreme Court might go my
- 6 way and who knows.
- 7 MS. DELMATIER: Hopefully it doesn't go there.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Absolutely.
- 9 MS. DELMATIER: Thank you.
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: William Arrulian.
- 11 Excuse me.
- 12 MR. ARRULIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair, and thank
- 13 you for pronouncing my Armenian name correctly.
- 14 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Did I?
- MR. ARRULIAN: My name is William Arrulian and
- 16 I'm with Kern County Environmental Health and we are the
- 17 LEA for Kern County.
- 18 We are taking a different view than most of the
- 19 LEAs in the state in that we believe that option two, the
- 20 footprint versus dot on the map, we would fall into the
- 21 footprint, concurring with the need to identify a site by
- 22 the actual area of the site. The reason why we feel this
- 23 way, we concur with our local task force on this and it's
- 24 partly driven by the increased sensitivity to solid
- 25 waste-related issues in Kern County.

- The public has been very concerned about issues
- 2 such as grease trap land disposal by septic pumpers,
- 3 dairy siting, which is not under the purview of this
- 4 Board, and bio-solids, but all of these issues together
- 5 have brought forth the need for the public to, through
- 6 their elected officials on the city councils, be able to
- 7 determine the exact location of these facilities, not by
- 8 address but by the relative area that they -- that a
- 9 solid waste facility would take up.
- We feel then that the -- the option two with
- 11 identifying the actual location of the facility legal
- 12 meets and bounds better serves the public health and
- 13 safety concerns within our jurisdiction.
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Paul
- 16 Manasjan.
- 17 MR. MANASJAN: What's with all these Armenians?
- 18 (Laughter)
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: We'll look into that.
- 20 (Laughter)
- 21 MR. MANASJAN: Paul Manasjan, City of San Diego,
- 22 here representing the Enforcement Advisory Council.
- 23 We are of the unanimous opinion to go with
- 24 option two, as we stated in the past. When we look at
- 25 statute in our duties with permitting, look at both

- 1 statute in 50001 and three sections of the regulation
- 2 that are relative to our permitting, in there they only
- 3 use the word "identified." So it's dot on the map. So
- 4 we have no recourse but to support option number two and
- 5 there is no need to change in our minds either statute or
- 6 regulation. What we need to change is board staff's
- 7 interpretation of those statutes and regulation.
- 8 Thank you.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Justin
- 10 Milan.
- MR. MILAN: Madam Chair, Board Members, Justin
- 12 Milan. I'm from the Oakland environmental health folks.
- 13 Pleased to say that in this case we don't have
- 14 any disagreement with industry. We do concur. We were
- 15 co-signators of the letter that was sent to you and CCDH
- 16 did actually send a letter to you under separate cover,
- 17 by itself last month supporting option two.
- 18 We don't necessarily disagree with Kern County,
- 19 but we don't see really any need to go to the variance or
- 20 the variation of option two, just go with option two as
- 21 it's stated.
- Thank you.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Chuck
- 24 Helget.
- 25 MR. HELGET: Madam Chairman, Members of the

- 1 committee, with all due respect to Senator Roberti's very
- 2 eloquent arguments, we are cosigners of the letter as
- 3 well. I'm representing Allied Waste and BFI and support
- 4 option two of your staff analysis for agenda Item Number
- 5 20.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Donald
- 7 Gambelin.
- 8 MR. GAMBELIN: Good afternoon. Donald Gambelin,
- 9 Norcal Waste Systems.
- 10 As you've heard, Norcal Waste Systems is
- 11 certainly in support of option two. It seems, as well as
- 12 every speaker I've heard today, but it does seem THAT
- 13 there are folks that are still wondering what the
- 14 location of which is identified, what does that mean. I
- 15 was looking for an example since I deal with location
- 16 quite often and some facility permitting and I think
- 17 maybe I found it that might clarify what this all means.
- 18 If you look to certain requirements when you
- 19 bring a facility forward for a Solid Waste Facility
- 20 Permit and you look at the regulatory language that
- 21 pertains to development of, say, a report of disposal
- 22 site information, something to that effect, there's
- 23 clearly a section in there that says you need to identify
- 24 the site location for such a facility.
- 25 Just using one of our facilities as an example,

- 1 I pulled out the language from that permitting document
- 2 that addresses this site location requirement, and I
- 3 think this might help to define what is meant by
- 4 location. Here's the language that's in that permitting
- 5 document. Simply says, "The B and J landfill is located
- 6 at 6426 Hay Road, approximately one half mile west of Rio
- 7 Dixon Road." That's it. That's site location.
- 8 I think if we're look to go change our
- 9 interpretation of what location means, we might be
- 10 going -- we're basically saying that we're going to hold
- 11 a more rigorous interpretation of what location means for
- 12 a planning level document as something that's an
- 13 engineering permitting level document for which site
- 14 location is the -- what site location means has clearly
- 15 been defined and implemented by board staff for some time
- 16 now.
- 17 So I would certainly say option two with some
- 18 clarifying thoughts on what location means is what we
- 19 support as well as others.
- Thank you.
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Chuck
- 22 White.
- 23 MR. WHITE: Thank you, Madam Chair and Members
- 24 of the Board.
- To follow up a little bit on discussion between

- 1 Senator Roberti and Denise, there's clearly two different
- 2 standards, one for what a siting element has to contain
- 3 as a planning document and that siting element may have
- 4 location, it may have description and that's the object
- 5 of that Siting Element document as it's prepared. But
- 6 the question here is what does the Siting Element have to
- 7 contain with respect to the permit action, the
- 8 establishment of a solid waste facility when it's either
- 9 being new or expanded and that's where 50001 comes in.
- 10 It just simply doesn't say the description or other, it
- 11 just simply says the location.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Yes, but the issue is
- 13 what does identification mean. For purposes of that
- 14 definition, not so much purposes of the statute itself
- 15 but for purposes of the definition in section -- in the
- 16 earlier section.
- MR. WHITE: In the Siting Element section.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: In the Siting Element
- 19 section. It says the identification of an area or areas
- 20 for the location of new solid waste transformation or
- 21 disposal facilities or the expansion of existing
- 22 facilities.
- 23 It appears that identification includes the word
- 24 "expansion." That has nothing to do with what's required
- 25 in the Siting Element or in the permit. It has to do

- 1 with what the word means. And when the word is used
- 2 later in the following chapter, we have to try to figure
- 3 out what the definition of that word is and that means
- 4 identification must mean description.
- 5 MR. WHITE: And I would simply argue there's two
- 6 separate standards. One is the standard for the Siting
- 7 Element document and the other standard is what has to be
- 8 present for the purposes of issuing that permit at the
- 9 time you want to establish that particular facility. And
- 10 I would argue and I would encourage the Board to try to
- 11 come up with the term "location" and the option number
- 12 two and broadly construe that word "location" to include
- 13 any kind of description and location of that facility.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Why would this Board
- 15 broadly construe a word in order to increase the amount
- 16 of disposal when the charge of this Board is to broadly
- 17 construe, if we're going to do that at all, to decrease
- 18 disposal. That's why the Board was set up, and now
- 19 you're saying we should broadly interpret the statutes
- 20 and the words to increase disposal.
- Now, I understand why you're saying that, but
- 22 from my perspective as a Board Member that goes contrary
- 23 to what I'm about.
- MR. WHITE: I respect that, sir. I really do.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Not what I'm about

- 1 personally but what the statute says I, David Roberti,
- 2 ought to be doing as a Member of this Board.
- 3 MR. WHITE: I understand. And from the
- 4 standpoint, though, we would encourage the Board to take
- 5 the position that the Siting Element is established for
- 6 establishing 15-year capacity, and I would hate to see
- 7 this requirement limit and be used as a reason for not
- 8 permitting facilities because of a -- the fact that a
- 9 location or a footprint necessarily isn't in the Siting
- 10 Element.
- 11 The point is that Siting Element simply has to
- 12 provide that the facility is identified by means of a
- 13 location. As long as there is a location that is
- 14 included in the Siting Element for the facility, the
- 15 facility should go ahead and be permitted. Like Evan
- 16 Edgar indicated that after the permit has been issued,
- 17 every year the planning jurisdiction is required to go
- 18 and amend the Siting Element and keep it up to date. I
- 19 would encourage that Siting Element be brought up to
- 20 speed but not be used as a reason why the permit should
- 21 not go forward provided the facility's location, whether
- 22 it's an address, whether it's latitude and longitude, is
- 23 identified in that Siting Element.
- 24 The Siting Element is only one of a number of
- 25 planning documents and it's not that the locals are

- 1 losing control. You've got CEQA, you've got zoning,
- 2 you've got the Conditional Use Permit, all of which
- 3 impose very rigorous controls on a whole variety of a
- 4 factors of a permit -- location, facility description,
- 5 meets and bounds, the whole nine yards. There's already
- 6 adequate controls through these other planning documents
- 7 and permits.
- 8 So again to summarize, we believe that not only
- 9 is option number two the term location should be broadly
- 10 construed to allow any location of a particular facility.
- 11 Thank you.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Kelly
- 13 Smith is our last speaker.
- 14 MR. SMITH: Kelly Smith, Members of the Board.
- 15 I'm representing the North Valley Coalition and the
- 16 Coalition for Alternatives to Kiefer Landfill in
- 17 Sacramento. North Valley Coalition is in north San
- 18 Fernando Valley down in L.A.
- 19 Our basic position is that the Board has the
- 20 authority to require a full and proper description of a
- 21 landfill site facility or expansion in the Countywide
- 22 Siting Element. The -- there are regulations which
- 23 detail that description quite thoroughly. They require
- 24 description of socioeconomic impacts and also get into
- 25 the kind of description of how a facility will impact the

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- 1 diversion goals that are required under AB 939. And we
- 2 think that there is a real important benefit of that in
- 3 looking at the impact of a landfill on a regional basis
- 4 in terms of capacity, and we think that that's a very
- 5 important tool at this stage where we actually have a
- 6 glut and over-capacity of landfill space.
- 7 The issue right now seems to be one of process
- 8 and I think we have to get into that to understand where
- 9 to go with this issue. We consider the Countywide Siting
- 10 Element actually the linch pin of integrated waste
- 11 management and the tool for your Board to implement
- 12 integrated waste management across the state when it
- 13 comes to facilities. Your only other tool is permitting
- 14 and a permit comes to you almost fait accompli by the
- 15 time it comes before this Board.
- 16 What the industry is saying is once it gets to
- 17 this point and it comes before your Board, you should
- 18 eliminate another tool for achieving the goals that
- 19 you're to achieve under the Integrated Waste Management
- 20 Act. That is that a mere dot or mere reference in this
- 21 Countywide Siting Element should be sufficient to permit
- 22 the facility.
- 23 If we go back a bit and we look at the public
- 24 process that's involved in adopting a Countywide Siting
- 25 Element, I think we see how the description is really key

- 1 to making it work. The Countywide Siting Element should
- 2 describe the facility. It goes to a local task force.
- 3 The local task force then has an idea of what this
- 4 facility will do in terms of its impact to the
- 5 environment, economics, all these other things.
- 6 It then comes to this Board as part of the
- 7 Siting Element or as part of the Integrated Waste
- 8 Management Plan and you have an opportunity at that time
- 9 to require a full and proper description. If that's not
- 10 done at that time and a permit comes before you, the
- 11 question I think is do you have any sort of authority to
- 12 require a better, a more exact description of that
- 13 facility at that point. That seems to be the problem
- 14 that you're wrestling with.
- 15 I would tend to think that what you need to do
- 16 is a better job of reviewing and approving those Siting
- 17 Elements when they first come before you and then
- 18 requiring that they be updated properly before a permit
- 19 is approved, and that way you can get around the issue of
- 20 identification of a facility on a map.
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: A couple questions for
- 25 Kelly.

- 1 When we approved the Siting Element for L.A.
- 2 County, your clients in Southern California came to the
- 3 Board with a fully -- the County came with a full
- 4 description of all the solid waste facilities in the
- 5 county that could be used for disposal. Your clients
- 6 asked us to remove certain of those from the Siting
- 7 Element, even though it had gone through the local
- 8 process.
- 9 MR. SMITH: You make it sound like a bad thing.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I don't think it's a bad
- 11 thing, but it begs the question if you're clients thought
- 12 that we had the authority to remove, do they also concede
- 13 that we have the authority to cite?
- MR. SMITH: Actually, that's clearly what the
- 15 history of this section came from.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Exactly.
- 17 MR. SMITH: Is the 15 years is to try to force
- 18 local jurisdictions to put facilities in there and to
- 19 identify where they go.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: To understand what's going
- 21 on. And that's exactly -- when you say we should do a
- 22 better job of approving sites or approving Siting
- 23 Elements, I think what you have to put that in context
- 24 and what I take exception to is the fact that when we're
- 25 losing -- we're losing context as to how a Siting Element

- 1 or plan ever came to this Board.
- 2 It was one of a lot of pieces that the
- 3 legislature and the Governor said to local government,
- 4 "You need to take control of what is going on. Number
- 5 one, we want to reduce the amount of waste going to
- 6 landfills, we want to recycle, but we want to make sure
- 7 you know where your garbage is going for 15 years,"
- 8 because there were jurisdictions out there that didn't
- 9 have a clue, didn't have a clue and didn't care. And
- 10 what kind of service do they serve their constituents?
- 11 Not much.
- So that -- the gap period was the time it was
- 13 taking for people to develop this information, have
- 14 public input through Siting Elements, through NDFEs,
- 15 through AB 939 plans, source reduction plans, waste
- 16 characterization and to develop the blueprint of how they
- 17 were going to meet the mandates of AB 939. That's what
- 18 all of this was about. And it probably presumed at some
- 19 point that local government had the ability to do that
- 20 and to bring it forward to this Board to see if, in fact,
- 21 they had spent the time and the money with consultants to
- 22 develop these plans.
- 23 At that point when we had identified it, when it
- $24\,$ had gone through all the local process, it seems to me
- 25 that somebody said okay. You've done -- you understand

- 1 now that you need to find 15 years of disposal. You
- 2 understand that you need to either do programs or come up
- 3 with numbers that can get you to 25 or 50 percent
- 4 diversion.
- 5 So what's the next step? The next step is
- 6 progress. What I worry about is that people aren't
- 7 putting in perspective the fact that it was necessary to
- 8 identify and describe every aspect of those facilities to
- 9 better -- to help better prepare local decision makers to
- 10 understand what it was they were embarking on. Once we
- 11 approved it, then it becomes an issue of is this landfill
- 12 or is this transfer station or is this composting
- 13 facility, something you guys have thought about as part
- 14 of your plan. Oh, it is? And where is this going to be
- 15 located at? Corner of 5th and Elm? No problem.
- But it never envisioned that people were going
- 17 to have to describe that a wasteshed was going to have to
- 18 go from 400 tons a day to a thousand tons a day, just the
- 19 fact that people understood that they had to provide
- 20 service to their constituents.
- 21 We've got to remember what all of this plan even
- 22 meant, and I think what it meant was making sure the
- 23 local governments took care of their constituents' needs
- 24 and solid waste management, which included diverting 25
- 25 and 50 percent from the landfills.

- 1 MR. SMITH: And I think that description in the
- 2 Countywide Siting Element is a key tool to achieving that
- 3 through a proper description.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Board
- 6 Members.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 8 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Hearing 12 speakers, two by
- 10 proxy I think is what a friend from SWANA said, so we'll
- 11 say 10, and also in really giving this an awful lot of
- 12 thought because I was not on that same page, and there is
- 13 no resolution, but I'm going to move that we adopt option
- 14 two for purposes of our conformance finding.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I would like to second
- 16 that.
- 17 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. It's been moved
- 18 by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Medina, that we approve
- 19 option two. And we'll have the resolution tomorrow, but
- 20 we would still go ahead and vote? Okay. Any other
- 21 comments before we vote?
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I guess.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I guess I made my
- 25 position clear, but in a little nutshell we on this Board

- 1 have seldom denied a permit and now we're even clearing
- 2 the way for the few seldoms, and with this we certainly
- 3 will broadly and liberally interpret the law. It will be
- 4 a board that in effect rubber stamps whatever permit
- 5 requirement has -- even in the light of the definition
- 6 which says that identification or dot on the map includes
- 7 description. So I would urge a no vote on the motion by
- 8 Mr. Jones.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Secretary, please call
- 10 the roll.
- 11 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 13 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 15 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 17 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: No.
- 19 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: No.
- 21 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 22 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Okay. Item Number 7 please.
- 24 MS. WOHL: Madam Chair, Board Members, I'd like
- 25 to recommend that we also take Item 6 up prior to Item 7

- 1 given that you may make a change in Item 7 that would
- 2 affect Item 6.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: So you would like to
- 4 take 6 up before 7.
- 5 MS. WOHL: And we guarantee 6 will be quick.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: We're on Number 6
- 7 please.
- 8 MS. WOHL: Item 6 is consideration of approval
- 9 of the Recycling Development Market Revolving Loan
- 10 Program application for Paper, Pulp and Film, Inc.
- 11 Jim La Tanner will give a brief description.
- 12 MR. LA TANNER: Paper, Pulp and Film, Inc. is
- 13 applying for an RMDZ loan in the amount of \$392,000.
- 14 There's a correction to the item on page 1 under summary.
- 15 All of the loan proceeds will be used for the purchase of
- 16 equipment. They have identified additional equipment
- 17 that they can purchase for the project, they can
- 18 collateralize the loan, thus none of the funds will be
- 19 used for a leasehold improvement which may or may not
- 20 have made it questionable after the next item.
- 21 Paper Pulp has an existing loan with the Board
- 22 right now that is performing as agreed. This is for a
- 23 brand-new project not related to the original project.
- 24 The company will take recycled paper and produce V board,
- 25 which I have a sample of. The project fits as a paper

- 1 converter using 100 percent recycled paper board.
- 2 As a result of this loan, the company will
- 3 increase the diversion from local landfills by 11,000
- 4 tons. The Loan Committee did meet on September 14th and
- 5 approved the loan as presented without any additional
- 6 questions.
- 7 I recommend approval of agenda Item 6 for the
- 8 Board to adopt Resolution 2000-377.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'll move adoption of
- 12 Resolution 2000-377 for the loan for Paper Pulp.
- 13 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll second it.
- 14 Motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by
- 15 Moulton-Patterson for Resolution 2000-377.
- 16 Please call the roll.
- 17 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 19 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 21 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 23 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 25 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 2 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 3 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 4 Item 7.
- 5 MS. WOHL: Just to set the stage after approving
- 6 that loan, there is \$3,438,925 remaining in the
- 7 subaccount for new loans. This amount includes the \$2
- 8 million set-aside for jobs for recycling.
- 9 The next item is the policy discussion,
- 10 discussion of alternatives, consideration and approval of
- 11 the Recycling Market Development Revolving Loan Program
- 12 project eligibility priority system to fund loan
- 13 applications and ways to leverage loan program funds.
- 14 And John Smith will begin the presentation.
- 15 MR. SMITH: For the record, I'm John Smith. I'm
- 16 Manager of the Board's Recycling Business Assistance
- 17 Branch.
- 18 With today's item, you're going to be making
- 19 decisions in three areas that relate to the loan program.
- 20 And to help you understand those areas, we've provided a
- 21 chart that has broken the item down into three parts.
- 22 The first decisions you will be making will be
- 23 updating the project eligibility criteria. The second
- 24 area that you will be making changes to, possibly, is
- 25 to -- is for a priority system to fund applications, and

- 1 the third area deals with leveraging options. In each of
- 2 these three areas there will be options for which you are
- 3 to consider, but you also have the opportunity to add any
- 4 other options you think better fit.
- 5 So again, the project eligibility options are in
- 6 blue here. The priority system options are in red here,
- 7 and the green are the leveraging options that will be the
- 8 third one you consider.
- 9 Before getting into the specifics of each
- 10 section, I would like to provide an overview of these
- 11 sections. The first section again deals with specific
- 12 changes to the current project eligibility criteria. The
- 13 project eligibility criteria is revised each year by the
- 14 Board and is included in a document. That document was
- 15 updated in June and again in February to reflect the
- 16 current projects eligible under the eligibility criteria.
- 17 The changes that are being considered have been suggested
- 18 by Zone Administrators and some Board Member offices.
- 19 The second section deals with a priority system
- 20 to fund loan applications. With this section we're
- 21 looking at ways to prioritize the applications we receive
- 22 so that we can make demand meet the supply of the money.
- 23 We're also looking at ways to increase program revenues
- 24 to the loan program.
- 25 In the third section we're looking at leveraging

- 1 options. In this section we're looking at ways to bring
- 2 additional funds into the program.
- 3 I will go over briefly the changes in the first
- 4 section, that's the project eligibility. Jim La Tanner
- 5 will follow with a discussion of the changes in the other
- 6 two sections.
- 7 Turning to the first section, that's the project
- 8 eligibility criteria. The first change that we'll be
- 9 dealing with are possible changes to loans to public
- 10 entities. There are significant cons in maintaining
- 11 loans to public entities. I'm sorry. My pages got off.
- 12 Let me start again.
- 13 The first section deals with continuing to lend
- 14 to public entities. Currently there's a cumulative loan
- 15 limitation to local governments and that is at \$2
- 16 million. That was set by a Board policy item last
- 17 February. The pros for continuing to lend to public
- 18 entities is that there is still interest in the program,
- 19 there are two or three ZAs, and the City of San Leandro,
- 20 which is part of the JTR project, that is interested in
- 21 providing loans to public entities. Also, it may be more
- 22 critical now that jurisdictions need to meet their 50
- 23 percent goal.
- 24 The cons in looking at eliminating loans to
- 25 local government is that there's only been one award to

- 1 local government since the history of this program, and
- 2 second, over the life of the program there have only been
- 3 68 local governments interested in loans to public
- 4 entities.
- 5 The second modification to the project
- 6 eligibility deals with whether we want to limit loans to
- 7 paper converting projects. The reason for maintaining
- 8 loans to paper converters are that there's still a
- 9 significant amount of paper in the landfill. In fact,
- 10 it's the number one material currently going to landfills
- 11 and paper converters make up a significant percentage of
- 12 our current loan portfolio.
- 13 The cons in lending to the -- to continue to
- 14 lend to paper converters are that it's hard to
- 15 distinguish with the paper converter where the paper mill
- 16 got its source because many paper mills are located
- 17 outside of this state. Many receive a significant amount
- 18 of waste from California but they also receive from other
- 19 states. Most of these manufacturers currently now are
- 20 receiving materials that already have a high recycled
- 21 content.
- 22 The third section deals with the possibility of
- 23 changing the lending to plastic manufacturers using
- 24 recycled feedstock. And the limits that have been
- 25 suggested are that we only loan to those plastic

- 1 manufacturers that use post-consumer resin,
- 2 post-consumer materials, and not to loan to plastic
- 3 manufacturers that make up composite materials because
- 4 the example I'll point out is many of these make products
- 5 that are hard to recycle.
- 6 There are some significant pros in continuing to
- 7 loan to all types of plastic manufacturers, and those are
- 8 that a significant amount of plastic is still going to
- 9 the landfills and the current diversion rates are quite
- 10 low, and many manufacturers that are making composite
- 11 materials are making products that can be recycled.
- 12 The cons are that if we limited loans to those
- 13 manufacturers using post-consumer, just post-consumer
- 14 feedstock, is that there would be more funds to fund
- 15 these types of projects, and also we would be able to
- 16 free up additional funds for other qualifying projects.
- 17 The last change to this section deals with the
- 18 jobs to recycling \$2 million set-aside. The jobs to
- 19 recycling grant is a two-year grant which is shortly
- 20 going to end. To date it's been very successful and it
- 21 will be close to meeting or exceeding its deliverables in
- 22 terms of diversion and jobs, and we are now in the
- 23 process of -- because of that success, we are now in the
- 24 process of pursuing an extension to that. We've kind of
- 25 broken down the ways that we can look at this set-aside

- 1 in terms of three options.
- 2 The first option is we can eliminate the
- 3 set-aside of \$2 million. The pros for this is that it
- 4 could very well set aside for other eligible zone
- 5 projects and also the jobs to recycling project, JTR 98,
- 6 is close to already meeting its deliverables and ending,
- 7 and it's quite possible that the project's success could
- 8 still continue without the \$2 million set-aside.
- 9 The cons are if we do eliminate it, one or two
- 10 projects could come in that could easily use up that
- 11 set-aside. And also, this project is going to be a model
- 12 for others to emulate. So by eliminating that set-aside,
- 13 we run the risk of not having a model that really would
- 14 work. And also the elimination of the set-aside could be
- 15 viewed as a broken commitment to the partners including
- 16 USEPA.
- 17 The second option that could be looked at is to
- 18 set aside a maximum of \$1 million and not tie that \$1
- 19 million with a particular fiscal year as appropriated but
- 20 to process the JTR loans as they come in. What I'm
- 21 trying to say here is they wouldn't be considered part of
- 22 the annual \$10 million, but they would be considered as
- 23 they come in and it would be irrespective of that \$10
- 24 million for other loans that were considered for that
- 25 year.

- The pros for this is -- for this recommendation
- 2 would be it's hard to estimate the number of projects
- 3 coming in from JTR and when they'll actually need funds.
- 4 We've been with this project for a year and a half now
- 5 and there's only been one project for \$250,000 that has
- 6 been funded.
- 7 The cons are if we maintain a million set-aside,
- 8 that potentially it would limit the funds available for
- 9 the remaining 38 zones.
- The last option we can look at is to continue
- 11 the \$2 million set-aside for the duration of the project,
- 12 even if it were extended.
- 13 The pros are -- and I pretty much said these for
- 14 one of the other ones. The pros are we've accomplished a
- 15 lot in terms of diversion. Success could only be
- 16 increased. And one or two potential loans could use up
- 17 this entire set-aside.
- 18 The cons for keeping the \$2 million are only one
- 19 business has used the set-aside funds to date and this \$2
- 20 million amount was a projection and made at the very
- 21 beginning of the project.
- Now in terms of how we might want to handle
- 23 Board discussion on that, we can look at each section,
- 24 one, two and three separately. We can finish each
- 25 section and then ask for your input or we can go over the

- 1 remaining two sections and take input then. Logically I
- 2 think it might make more sense if you provide comments on
- 3 each section.
- 4 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 5 MR. SMITH: And then hear from the audience
- 6 also.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. So we're at
- 8 that point.
- 9 MR. SMITH: For discussion.
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any Board Members want
- 11 to discuss it?
- 12 MR. SMITH: I might add there's a decision
- 13 making aid in the packet. It's Attachment L. So it's
- 14 the next to the last attachment so you can follow in
- 15 terms of which options we're looking at and whether they
- 16 want to be changed or not or modified.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 18 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Hearing everybody's
- 20 quickness to get into this thing, I'm going to -- I think
- 21 the two, paper converting projects and the recycling
- 22 plastic feedstock, I think both need to remain,
- 23 personally. I think the public infrastructure and
- 24 capital improvements to the public, those are not
- 25 set-asides. If a project comes forward, we could

- 1 consider funding; right?
- 2 MR. LA TANNER: On the public infrastructure,
- 3 yes. If an application came forward, we could consider
- 4 it. In February a board item put the constraint that we
- 5 would only -- of all the funds available this year, a
- 6 maximum of \$2 million would be lent out to various public
- 7 infrastructure and capital improvement projects, not a
- 8 set-aside or anything like that. Of the ten, the maximum
- 9 is two.
- 10 MR. SMITH: The JTR is a set-aside.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: But we don't have -- we
- 12 haven't had any projects, but do you see any coming down
- 13 the road?
- MR. SMITH: Here's the projects to date. We
- 15 gave one loan to Saint Vincent de Paul for \$250,000. In
- 16 looking at -- and we surveyed all the partners in terms
- 17 of the projects we're working with right now. There
- 18 certainly won't be one by the time this project is
- 19 scheduled to end October 15th.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's the JTR.
- 21 MR. SMITH: If we extended it, there might be a
- 22 possibility, but still we don't have a clear application.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: But if we eliminate the
- 24 set-aside, it doesn't preclude any of those people from
- 25 coming forward and being part of the pool; correct?

- 1 MR. LA TANNER: It doesn't.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So I would suggest that we
- 3 eliminate the JTR set-aside because they still can take
- 4 advantage, and I think at our briefing didn't we say it
- 5 was like maybe a couple hundred grand that the feds threw
- 6 in and maybe it's going to be less this time?
- 7 MR. SMITH: The feds threw in \$200,000 and all
- 8 we're doing to the extension is extending time. The
- 9 thing is we've only expended about \$200,000, about
- 10 \$75,000 to date.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So I would suggest that we
- 12 eliminate the public infrastructure and capital
- 13 improvement projects, that we not fund those; that we
- 14 continue to fund paper converting projects; that we
- 15 continue to fund manufacturing using recycled plastic
- 16 feedstocks; that we eliminate the set-aside for the JTR.
- 17 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any other comments?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Weren't there some
- 19 proposed modifications on the paper converting projects
- 20 or am I confused? And the plastic feedstock.
- 21 MR. SMITH: The specific modifications were the
- 22 paper converters -- with paper converters that we
- 23 eliminate them. With the plastic manufacturers we're
- 24 looking at the recommendations from the ZA was that we
- 25 only that we only fund the manufacturers that use

- 1 post-consumer feedstock because a number of them use both
- 2 post-consumer, secondary feedstock and even some virgin
- 3 resins.
- 4 The other limitation was that if a plastic
- 5 manufacturer made a composite material that is made out
- 6 of a number of different types of plastic or plastic and
- 7 wood, that they not be funded. So those were the
- 8 modifications.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Is that implied in --
- 10 I'm not sure if he meant that in his resolution or not,
- 11 but I would just assume go along with what the staff is
- 12 recommending and we'll wait until he comes back.
- 13 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: In fairness to the
- 14 speakers, since we're taking this in sections, I think
- 15 we'll go ahead and listen to the speakers at this time so
- 16 we don't decide anything before we hear the public.
- 17 Lorna Brown. Is she gone?
- 18 MR. DAVIS: Yes.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: John Davis.
- 20 MR. DAVIS: Madam Chair, actually Lorna Brown,
- 21 Jim Kuhl and I were here to give a presentation on behalf
- 22 of the Recycling Market Development Zone Association.
- 23 Lorna and Jim had to both leave.
- 24 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: And you're John Davis.
- MR. DAVIS: And I'm John Davis.

- 1 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Sorry.
- 2 MR. DAVIS: I guess in light of the format of
- 3 the staff presentation, would you like us to comment on
- 4 each segment in the presentation as it's made?
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: How would you like to
- 6 do it? Would you like to --
- 7 MR. DAVIS: I think if that's what's on your
- 8 mind right now are the eligibility factors, generally and
- 9 from the association standpoint specifically, we're not
- 10 interested in limiting eligibility for the program.
- 11 We're interested in developing use for material that's
- 12 recovered and diverted in California and kept out of
- 13 landfills. And I think the approach Steve Louts from
- 14 Oakland Berkeley was here last week and spoke to the item
- 15 during your workshop, and I think his comments
- 16 specifically are that we shouldn't be looking at a way
- 17 to -- we shouldn't be looking at this as excess demand
- 18 for funds but that program has been successful in how do
- 19 we sustain and sustain that demand and meet that demand.
- 20 So the CARMDZ specifically has no recommendation
- 21 on eligibility other than a recommendation that we don't
- 22 believe that limiting eligibility is really in the
- 23 interest of meeting the demand of the program, and I
- 24 think specifically Lorna Brown would have talked to you
- 25 about her efforts over the last year, hiring staff, going

- 1 out and identifying local users of material, piquing
- 2 their interest in the program, preparing to come forward
- 3 and they'll find that there may not be resources
- 4 available to them.
- 5 And the issue of eligibility again is really not
- 6 the critical factor so much as the availability of funds.
- 7 Jim Kuhl's letter, which I believe you have a copy of,
- 8 does talk specifically about eligibility and I think on
- 9 behalf of the Mojave Desert RMDZ which I administer I
- 10 would say that we would support Jim's comments.
- The going back to priority ranking systems,
- 12 which we haven't discussed, but eliminating paper and
- 13 plastics efforts to divert material, trying to
- 14 distinguish whether plastic lumber is appropriate or not
- 15 appropriate is going to make our lives very chaotic and
- 16 confusing. And again, are we keeping material out of the
- 17 landfill? Are we fostering the economic climate to use
- 18 that material with California businesses? Or are we
- 19 trying to limit demand for funds?
- 20 I talked to you a couple times in the past about
- 21 the use of money by public agencies. So I would repeat
- 22 those comments. There may be times when you want to do
- 23 that. The fact that you haven't been doing it doesn't
- 24 necessarily indicate future demand, doesn't necessarily
- 25 indicate how best to utilize the funds, and in the

- 1 context of there being a shortage of funds right now
- 2 doesn't really solve any problems because if you're not
- 3 having demand, cutting the eligibility in light of excess
- 4 demand on the other side doesn't really accomplish
- 5 anything.
- 6 So specifically as to the items on eligibility,
- 7 I think our position would be that's not the real issue.
- 8 Eliminating eligibility doesn't get us anywhere. So
- 9 CARMDZ would rather speak to the leveraging aspect,
- 10 although we would like to comment when Jim La Tanner
- 11 gives his presentation as well.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: So you wanted to
- 13 comment after two and three?
- MR. DAVIS: Please.
- 15 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Davis.
- 16 Mr. Paparian, did you have a question or
- 17 Mr. Jones?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Before we do that --
- 19 just so I'm clear, what is the staff position in terms of
- 20 whether they want this modified or not?
- 21 MS. WOHL: I think basically we weren't taking a
- 22 position in this item. We were bringing options forward
- 23 for you and I don't think we feel strongly regarding
- 24 paper converting projects in particular.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: The plastic one, do you

- 1 feel strongly there at all?
- 2 MS. WOHL: I would say that's not our area of
- 3 concern, no.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll just withdraw my
- 5 comments from when Mr. Jones was not in the room.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I think -- I know the hour
- 8 is late and we're kind of getting bogged down. I
- 9 don't -- a pro and con should be -- I think the whole
- 10 issue that was raised here is that it's like any other
- 11 system of loans and stuff that is a portfolio. If we
- 12 were to be classified kind of as a bank of sorts to make
- 13 loans is that eligible -- anyone should be eligible as
- 14 long as there's criteria.
- The real key question really becomes what are we
- 16 going to fund for that year, and I think maybe what we
- 17 ought to do as a Board is make a policy that at the
- 18 beginning of the year or what have you, we look at what
- 19 problem areas we need to have. This year if it's
- 20 plastics and next year it's tires or the following year
- 21 it's paper, then we as a Board should say this year we
- 22 think that the loans ought to be funded in the following
- 23 areas. That preserves all of the options.
- 24 But I think what happens too often in
- 25 organizations such as ours is we'll sit there and

- 1 eliminate a criteria and then a year and a half later a
- 2 situation arises and we say we can't do that because our
- 3 eligibility criteria doesn't allow for that. So one of
- 4 the reasons is that I think this is a helpful item the
- 5 way it's been laid out, but to look at really what all of
- 6 our options are and we as a Board set those priorities at
- 7 the beginning of the year.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I think it would have
- 9 to --
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I agree very strongly with
- 12 Mr. Eaton's remarks in that being new to the Board I
- 13 don't know all the nuances of all of these different
- 14 choices that have been given to us, but I am clear in
- 15 terms of the purpose and importance of a loan program and
- 16 how it can be used. So I would have to agree very much
- 17 with Mr. Eaton in his remarks.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I think one of the things
- 19 we could probably agree as a Board is probably what the
- 20 top three or four different areas are that we would like
- 21 to see funded in some of these areas, whether it be in
- 22 plastics or in -- it even could be -- I don't think
- 23 they could -- school districts probably couldn't get
- 24 money, could they, under a loan program. They don't
- 25 have -- they can't pledge revenues. They can't do

- 1 anything, so that wouldn't be a situation.
- 2 I'm trying to think of situations where it would
- 3 arise where we would look at a particular segment or
- 4 sector of the wastestream and say you need help in
- 5 bolstering some of the market development, and I think
- 6 those are the key components. And the issue really arose
- 7 with the fact of the real estate.
- 8 I think we have overemphasized to a large degree
- 9 our reliance upon buying property or whatever, and I
- 10 think that's in the second category and that would be one
- 11 where we as a Board would say we don't want to see any of
- 12 these loans come forward. Mr. Jones, I think you had a
- 13 whole chart or something the last time if I'm not
- 14 mistaken, but if we did something where maybe it's every
- 15 six months or whatever time frame we thought appropriate
- 16 we would set the priorities to where we wanted to see the
- 17 loans funded. We wouldn't declare eligibility off limits
- 18 but you would really concentrate on the what to fund and
- 19 what we can leverage for it, much like we do when we do
- 20 the 2136.
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Does staff have any --
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Another silence. I tried
- 23 to help you, Mr. Jones.
- 24 (Laughter)
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I agreed with everything

- 1 you said.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I think it's the hour. I
- 3 think it's the hour, not your eloquence.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think Mr. Eaton makes
- 5 sense. I think the one thing though, the JTR set-aside
- 6 takes \$2 million out of our hands that we can't lend. I
- 7 think we probably need to determine whether or not we
- 8 want to keep that in or not, and as far as all the others
- 9 it doesn't hurt us one way or another. What's anybody's
- 10 feeling on this set-aside?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair.
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I basically think I hate
- 14 to encumber the money since there seems to be a heavy
- 15 demand on these monies for things that are more ready to
- 16 go than the one JTR project that we have, so -- although
- 17 I think the concept of jobs for recycling is excellent.
- 18 I don't have strong feelings one way or the other, but I
- 19 tend -- myself I tend to think we should not encumber the
- 20 money, especially if we have a lot of other applicants
- 21 who are in a position to go.
- 22 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Makes sense by me. We're
- 24 looking to -- it seems to me this ended in October or
- 25 it's going to end in October, so we've taken care of our

- 1 commitment. We have nothing in the bank right now,
- 2 coming; right? There's nothing in what you guys are
- 3 working on.
- 4 MR. SMITH: We have significant unspent funds
- 5 and there's a lot of momentum going on this project and
- 6 we have businesses in the pipeline that could be very
- 7 successful.
- 8 MS. WOHL: That may or may not need a loan.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That may or may not. Okay.
- 10 So if we eliminate the thing, it's going to send a signal
- 11 that we don't want to do it.
- MS. WOHL: Probably, yes.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: If we reduce it to a
- 14 million dollars, we're setting aside a million; right?
- MR. SMITH: Under the option we're talking
- 16 about, perhaps not tying it in specifically with that \$10
- 17 million allocation but just funding them as they come in.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right.
- 19 MR. SMITH: So maybe one year we would fund more
- 20 than \$10 million or even it may still fit within the \$10
- 21 million.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So what you're saying is we
- $23\,$ can fund it through the \$10 million and send the message
- 24 that we're going to eliminate this \$2 million set-aside
- 25 as opposed to reducing it. Is that the preferable

- 1 option?
- 2 MS. WOHL: I think one idea that we've had is
- 3 that we continue a million set-aside because it would
- 4 show that we're still interested but we don't take it out
- 5 of our \$10 million that we're going to fund this year
- 6 because we don't think there's --
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Take it out of the \$4
- 8 million or \$5 million that you have next year.
- 9 MR. WOHL: Right. Or if it came up, just fund
- 10 it out of this year but not out of the \$10 million limit.
- 11 Does that make sense? So it's sort of a win-win.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Understood.
- MS. WOHL: If nothing comes in, we're in the
- 14 same boat.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Understood.
- 16 MR. SMITH: It would be just for one year.
- 17 We're only looking at an extension for one year.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: All right. And our
- 19 available funds for next year are \$6 million, \$7 million,
- 20 something like that?
- 21 MS. WOHL: If you're talking about what we have
- 22 currently, it's approximately \$5 million beyond the \$10
- 23 million, but then we expect to get additional money so we
- 24 think next year we can fund about \$7-plus million.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So this million of part of

- 1 that \$7 million.
- 2 MS. WOHL: Yes. That's what we're proposing.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So you can only really
- 4 encourage \$6 million worth of loans because that's all
- 5 you have available.
- 6 MS. WOHL: For next year.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay. I just want to make
- 8 sure. I don't want to see \$20 million. So we leave the
- 9 eligibility criteria for public infrastructure we leave
- 10 it in, paper converting we leave it in and if it happens,
- 11 it happens. If it doesn't, it doesn't. And we reduce
- 12 the JTR set-aside to a million dollars but we use -- we
- 13 fund that through next year's -- not out of this \$10
- 14 million pot, the other pot.
- MS. WOHL: Let me tell you. We actually have --
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: What about --
- 17 MS. WOHL: We actually have \$15 million in the
- 18 loan program at the beginning of this year we had. We
- 19 have spent up to close to \$7 million, so we have about --
- 20 some portion of what I mentioned early on here, \$3.6
- 21 million out of this year that we can still fund. But
- 22 that does leave an additional \$5 million out there.
- 23 There is a budget set at \$10 million that's in the
- 24 Governor's budget, but because this money is continuously
- 25 appropriated, that budget is not set. It's really an

- 1 estimate of what we expect to spend. So you have
- 2 flexibility to go beyond that if you so choose.
- 3 MR. LA TANNER: Staff's thoughts are to reduce
- 4 the JTR set-aside \$2 million and keep it to show faith in
- 5 the JTR project, although we would take that million and
- 6 if an application came in, which we may or may not get
- 7 one this year, we would fund it out of the reserves.
- 8 That would allow us to go ahead and process the
- 9 applications in-house. The state budget says that we can
- 10 fund up to \$10 million in loans this year, but we can't
- 11 go -- at Board direction we can exceed that \$10 million,
- 12 but if you do, you're taking it out of next year's funds.
- 13 This subaccount actually has close to \$15
- 14 million in it. We're targeted to fund \$10 million and
- 15 carry over \$5 million. If a JTR project does come
- 16 forward, an applicant for a loan, then we would fund it
- 17 out of the \$5 million, which we could fund it this year.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: This year we've already
- 19 approved (inaudible). We would have a \$2 million JTR
- 20 set-aside.
- 21 MR. LA TANNER: Correct.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: That \$2 million
- 23 set-aside -- now before us (inaudible), but that \$1
- 24 million would come out of the reserve which is over and
- 25 above the \$10 million.

- 1 MR. LA TANNER: Correct.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: But that reserve is
- 3 really next year's appropriation.
- 4 MR. LA TANNER: It's funds in the subaccount
- 5 right now that would roll over to next year if we didn't
- 6 lend it out.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: So if we passed -- I
- 8 think Mr. Jones has a (inaudible) point. If we passed
- 9 that, that means that \$11 million -- we're talking about
- 10 \$11 million; right?
- 11 MS. WOHL: That we could potentially spend \$11
- 12 million this year.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: We may not even end up
- 14 spending the whole \$10 million. If that's the case, what
- 15 happens to that?
- MS. WOHL: It rolls over.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: It rolls over.
- 18 MS. WOHL: But we're pretty much going to spend
- 19 it.
- 20 (Laughter)
- 21 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: And the reason we're
- 22 going to is we've already spent the \$10 million.
- MS. WOHL: We're close. We have \$3.4 million
- 24 left and we think in October we're going to bring you
- 25 that much.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: \$1 million satisfies the
- 2 feds.
- 3 MS. WOHL: We think they feel that's a good
- 4 faith effort on our part that we would want to continue
- 5 the project.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton, did you
- 7 have a comment?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I just -- one of the things
- 9 that's here because it was part of what we were doing and
- 10 sort of how we got here, there used to be a huge, huge,
- 11 huge, huge, huge reserve. We went and got money to be
- 12 able to spend that reserve down and now there's demand
- 13 that's been increased. What my understanding is is that
- 14 this next year our executive staff will go and seek to
- 15 fund this program; correct? Up to \$5 million. We used
- 16 to get an automatic transfer of \$5 million every year.
- 17 That ended this year. That was by operation of the
- 18 legislation. That wasn't by any action of any Board or
- 19 by the Governor. That was in the legislation; was it not?
- 20 MS. FISH: The legislation provided the ability
- 21 to have us make an up-to amount. So the \$5 million was
- 22 no longer required, but the Board has the ability to
- 23 transfer up to \$5 million.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: From the IWMA.
- 25 MS. FISH: From the IWMA.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And that --
- 2 MS. FISH: But because there weren't sufficient
- 3 reserves in the IWMA to transfer, we left the loan
- 4 program with a spending plan of \$10 million. Now, next
- 5 year they -- right now they possibly were projecting \$7
- 6 million, but there are plans going forward to move some
- 7 of the costs out of the RMDZ that are currently budgeted
- 8 there, as well as there is probably some expenditures
- 9 that will not happen in the RMDZ which will add funds.
- 10 Funds will be freed up in the fund, as well as the Board
- 11 may want to look next year if there's additional reserves
- 12 in the IWMA to fund an up-to amount.
- So there are options for next year. What
- 14 they're asking to be able to do is revise the spending
- 15 plan in the Governor's budget, which is acceptable
- 16 because this account is continuously appropriated, and we
- 17 can spend up to the cash level in the fund under the
- 18 continuously appropriated item and then see as we put
- 19 together the spending plan next year what level the Board
- 20 wants to keep this from that.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's very clear.
- 22 MS. FISH: Sorry.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER EATON: No, I understand what
- 24 you're saying. I wasn't being facetious. I was saying
- 25 that that gets you there. The question really becomes

- 1 that they spend up to the revised plan, there may not be
- 2 any money next year, even though we have the spending
- 3 authority because there may not be sufficient IWMA funds
- 4 or reserves which you call, in order to fund the loan
- 5 program. That's not through any action, that's just the
- 6 way the cash flow goes.
- 7 MS. FISH: Right.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I hear you. Okay.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: All right. So the proposal
- 13 would be keep 1-A, 1-B and 1-C and reduce the JTR to \$1
- 14 million and using that whole fund to recover that. Does
- 15 that make sense?
- 16 I don't know how we're doing this. We're doing
- 17 this --
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Second.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thank you, Senator.
- 20 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Do you have that?
- MS. WOHL: Yes.
- 22 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion by
- 23 Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That we will on project
- 25 eligibility continue to include public infrastructure and

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- 1 capital improvements, paper converting projects,
- 2 manufacturing using recycled plastic feedstocks, and that
- 3 we will reduce the JTR set-aside to \$1 million.
- 4 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Seconded by Senator
- 5 Roberti.
- 6 Please call the roll.
- 7 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 9 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 11 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 13 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 15 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 17 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 18 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 19 So --
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Now we're going on to
- 22 part two -- yes, Mr. Jones.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Before we get into this
- 24 discussion, maybe this will be easier. I mean we're --
- 25 part of our problem is that 70 percent of the loans that

- 1 we've given away have been for land. Maybe we can focus
- 2 the discussion on the real estate portion and the
- 3 priority system for funding, it doesn't make any sense to
- 4 increase the interest rate right now. Because of the
- 5 incredible activity we've done, we've got people coming
- 6 forward for a lot of different projects. The points
- 7 right now are at a half.
- 8 Establish a borrowing limit, I think we probably
- 9 should discuss that more, but I don't think we should
- 10 have minimal conversion tonnage because if we set a
- 11 number for what's right in southern Cal, that doesn't
- 12 have anything to do with what happens in rural
- 13 California.
- 14 I think that modifying the parameters associated
- 15 with loans purchasing real estate is something that we
- 16 ought to focus our discussion on. I could see limiting
- 17 loans on real estate to \$501,000 and -- or \$500,001 and
- 18 maybe looking at loans at \$250,000 to be the SMIF, which
- 19 is right now at 6 percent. Prime right now is at 9.5.
- 20 That's 3.5 percent below prime. Add two points to that,
- 21 you're looking at an awfully good rate up to \$250,000.
- 22 And then maybe if we look at that \$250,000 to \$500,000
- 23 and make it SMIF plus a point, maybe we end up not giving
- 24 the farm away.
- 25 I think rural California needs the opportunity

- 1 to buy land. In some cases, that's what we've heard in
- 2 Eureka, Humboldt County, that they just can't lease it.
- 3 It's not available and they actually have to buy it, but
- 4 I don't think -- I think when we've funded \$1 million and
- 5 a half to buy a building to recycle 800 tons of plastic,
- 6 I'm not sure we're getting the biggest bang for our buck
- 7 and we are depleting the fund rapidly.
- 8 So I think if we just set those parameters and
- 9 let them come back in another couple of months and see
- 10 how they're doing, it would probably focus this a little
- 11 bit better.
- 12 MS. WOHL: Can I get clarification on that? Was
- 13 it 2 percent plus or SMIF plus two for zero to \$250,000
- 14 or all the way to \$500,000?
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: No.
- MS. WOHL: Oh, SMIF plus one.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: SMIF plus one.
- 18 MS. WOHL: For the low and -- I'll let you say
- 19 it again.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Actually, \$250,000, SMIF.
- 21 You could go SMIF plus a half or you could just go SMIF.
- 22 Just SMIF to \$250,000.
- MS. WOHL: Okay.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: \$250,000 to \$500,000 would
- 25 be SMIF plus one.

- 1 MS. WOHL: And then nothing over \$500,000.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I don't think you should
- 3 lend money on real estate over \$500,000. I think it just
- 4 eats up the fund and it doesn't give us the opportunity
- 5 to put in equipment and to put in the things we need to
- 6 move recycling.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Davis --
- 8 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: The problem is not
- 9 whether -- just thinking off the top of my head, I mean,
- 10 real estate is more expensive in some areas than others.
- 11 If we don't loan -- I understand that it might cut it too
- 12 much, but if we don't loan, what happens if we need
- 13 capital improvements for various kinds of urban
- 14 environmental activities that we might be interested in?
- 15 Would that constrain it?
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Leasehold improvements?
- 17 All I'm talking about is the purchase of real estate.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: You're only talking about
- 19 --
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'm only talking about the
- 21 purchase of real estate, not leasehold improvements and
- 22 not equipment, only the purchase of real estate.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Okay. I might agree with
- 24 you. I'd like to get a better picture of what kind of
- 25 real estate we buy for -- that we would loan for in urban

- 1 areas. I can envision purchase for landfill property or
- 2 something rather in a very rural area, but in urban areas
- 3 what would we need to purchase? What is something that
- 4 someone might come and ask you for a loan to purchase
- 5 property? What's been our experience?
- 6 MR. LA TANNER: What the loans are for real
- 7 estate is recycling businesses approaching us that are
- 8 currently leasing property that have an opportunity to
- 9 purchase commercial real estate to house the facility and
- 10 they need assistance in buying -- a loan to buy the real
- 11 estate. If they lease the property, we can do leasehold
- 12 improvements. If they already own the property, we can
- 13 finance capital improvements.
- 14 What the restriction would be is if they want to
- 15 purchase the real estate and relocate the business onto
- 16 that, then we would offer a maximum loan of \$500,000.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I don't know if they've
- 18 purchased or leased, but I visited a high end furniture
- 19 company that was located in Hollywood, which was way too
- 20 expensive for them, and then they moved down to Carson
- 21 and they purchased -- they made rustic furniture out of
- 22 old pieces of furniture. And I know they advertise in
- 23 Newman's Sundance Magazine and a whole bunch of high end
- 24 kinds of things. They were complaining about -- they
- 25 seemed to be pushed further and further out because of

- 1 their costs. So that just strikes me -- I can't remember
- 2 if they purchased or leased, but I think they got
- 3 something from us, and I don't know what it was -- the
- 4 amount, rather -- but I know they got money from us. I
- 5 totally see what Mr. Jones is getting at because one loan
- 6 can eat up everything, but on the other hand urban
- 7 facilities where the populations are, I have to give this
- 8 some thought.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I understand. I think one
- 10 thing, too, is that there's nothing that precludes
- 11 somebody from going in and buying a \$2 million piece of
- 12 property and using this \$500,000 at SMIF, which is below
- 13 the prime.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: It's still a good deal.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Blended deal. They're
- 16 still borrowing below the rate that they could have
- 17 borrowed without us.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: What's our total -- how
- 19 much money do we -- how much money are we talking about?
- 20 MR. LA TANNER: The maximum loan is \$2
- 21 million.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: The maximum loan is \$2
- 23 million, but how much is in our pot altogether for the
- 24 --
- MR. LA TANNER: For the remainder, \$3.4

- 1 million.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: That's the remainder.
- 3 Next year will be how much?
- 4 MR. LA TANNER: Right now we're at \$7.3 million.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: \$7.3. Okay.
- 6 MR. LA TANNER: What this would do is an
- 7 applicant that normally would approach us for a \$2
- 8 million real estate loan would go to SBA or their local
- 9 bank to obtain a loan for roughly 80 percent or however
- 10 much, and we would probably finance a maximum of \$500,000
- 11 second deed of trust if they needed that.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: The maximum loan, let me
- 13 ask Steve a question. If the maximum loan is \$500,000
- 14 and somebody says they really need this badly to purchase
- 15 land, I'm trying to think of a couple other visitations I
- 16 had that they were talking -- they in fact asked me
- 17 before I knew. They said can we buy furniture. This is
- 18 one in Sun Valley and they were putting cartons or
- 19 something together. And the RMDZ loans basically --
- 20 well, our (inaudible) most popular thing to do, but why
- 21 not just -- if they can purchase the real estate, why not
- 22 let them -- if we have a cap, why not just say \$500,000,
- 23 which is what we do -- what is the problem with that as
- 24 between -- I'm trying to get your advice and input as I
- 25 try to figure this one out.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Cap it at \$500,000 instead
- 2 of capping it at \$2 million?
- 3 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Yeah.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: For land?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Yeah.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I don't have any problem
- 7 with that.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: As long as -- is that
- 9 what you said or -- yeah. Okay.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And this way if somebody
- 11 went in and let's say they needed to come to us with a --
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Right now the cap is at a
- 13 million?
- 14 MS. WOHL: Right. They could do it all for land
- 15 at \$2 million.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And I don't want to take
- 17 that cap away. If they wanted to come in and buy
- 18 equipment and land, I'm saying that to buy the land
- 19 capped out at \$500,000. If they want to buy \$1.5 million
- 20 in equipment or \$1.2 in equipment and \$300,000 in working
- 21 capital, I don't have a problem with that.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: So they can probably
- 23 still juggle their folks around with --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: They'll do a blended rate
- 25 that will give them a better deal than they can get

- 1 through SBA or anybody else.
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: While you're thinking,
- 3 Mr. Davis has been waiting.
- 4 MR. DAVIS: First of all, I think the
- 5 association would agree with Mr. Jones's suggestion on
- 6 the priority system and that. We don't want to go there.
- 7 We want to make the program work and not close the door
- 8 on people. We want to bring people in.
- 9 As far as the real estate loan, the association
- 10 itself does not have a position, but I think individual
- 11 ZAs understand your concern. And I think what I would
- 12 ask is that if there were a necessity, if someone could
- 13 demonstrate necessity above the \$500,000, consider that.
- 14 I could foresee -- I could construct a scenario
- 15 where there may be a necessity if someone had equipment.
- 16 \$500,000 in my area might get you a 10,000 square foot
- 17 building and two acres of land. If someone had equipment
- 18 already in-hand and wanted to relocate for all the good
- 19 reasons into our zone or expand an out-of-state operation
- 20 into our zone, I could see the necessity. If they could
- 21 demonstrate that, if you were open to that rather than
- 22 put a hard and fast rule, that's all we're asking for.
- 23 Let us be flexible and creative as we see the need and
- 24 not limit.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: John, I don't have a

- 1 problem with that, but we have to set a hard and fast
- 2 rule. If we said there would be exemptions on a
- 3 case-by-case basis depending on need, the need to pay 6
- 4 percent versus 11.5 percent is a pretty compelling need
- 5 to me.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So I think we have to be
- 8 careful.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: What if there's a
- 11 default? Are we better off holding land or do we have
- 12 default?
- 13 MR. LA TANNER: Yes. We have defaults. Both
- 14 defaults have land.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Pardon?
- 16 MR. LA TANNER: Both of the defaults of loans
- 17 have land.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: They were both landed.
- 19 MR. LA TANNER: We have land as collateral for
- 20 both defaults. Let me phrase it that way.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, that's what I mean.
- 22 MR. LA TANNER: If we adopted this proposal, a
- 23 typical applicant --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: What do we own now?
- MR. LA TANNER: You don't want to know.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I don't --
- 2 MR. LA TANNER: You don't want to know.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Tell me. Tell me.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: It was one of those that
- 5 was discussed in closed session, if you'll remember.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Oh, yeah, yeah.
- 7 (Laughter)
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: See, I'm trying to minimize
- 9 your pain here.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: But Senator --
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Didn't we subsequently
- 12 pass something that we weren't going to loan on --
- 13 MR. LA TANNER: Right. We do not take
- 14 single-family residences as collateral for loans.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Like if we are lending to
- 16 a recycling, lend a couple million dollars to some
- 17 recycling corporation, isn't recycling equipment kind of
- 18 rarified? You can do more with -- better to hold the
- 19 land than the --
- 20 MR. LA TANNER: True, but the intent of the
- 21 program first is to finance recycling equipment which is
- 22 the most difficult item. A typical borrower, if we adopt
- 23 this scenario, could go to SBA and get a loan --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Okay. You've convinced
- 25 me.

- 1 MR. LA TANNER: We just --
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: You've convinced me.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I have one question, Mr. La
- 4 Tanner. You raised the point. You said that if a
- 5 business went to SBA and got 80 percent; right? You're
- 6 talking about funding the other 20 percent?
- 7 MR. LA TANNER: We could finance \$500,000 toward
- 8 it.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And that would give us the
- 10 second trust deed; correct?
- 11 MR. LA TANNER: Correct.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Why would we want to be in
- 13 a secondary position on a trust deed? I sure wouldn't as
- 14 a Board Member for a very fiduciary kind of duty. I
- 15 don't think we ought to be lending a bridge and getting a
- 16 second trust deed. That puts us behind the IRS, State
- 17 and other kinds of County liens and then you have
- 18 probably either the Bank of America or, you know,
- 19 Washington Mutual and then comes the Waste Board with
- 20 their second trust deed. I don't think we even get
- 21 anything back. We haven't had any second trust deeds
- 22 yet; have we?
- MR. LA TANNER: No, we haven't.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's good. That's the
- 25 problem you run into, right, if you go the other way. I

- 1 wasn't very critical, but it does become a problem.
- 2 MR. LA TANNER: All loans have an appraisal, but
- 3 we could end up in second place with a hundred percent of
- 4 the property financed, yeah.
- 5 What's happening with the 70 percent of loans
- 6 that we've made for the purchase of real estate is
- 7 companies coming to us because we have \$2 million, 15
- 8 years, 6 percent. You can't beat that, and several of
- 9 those companies could easily walk into the bank. So by
- 10 capping it you're going to encourage them to go to the
- 11 bank first, and then the smaller businesses that buy
- 12 smaller properties could utilize more of our funds up to
- 13 \$500,000.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 15 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Going through this priority
- 17 list, and this may be in the form of a motion, I think --
- 18 and with the caveat that I think we ought to look at this
- 19 in a couple of months and make sure that what we're
- 20 trying to sculpt here makes some sense. You know what I
- 21 mean? Because I don't think we should increase the
- 22 interest right now. I don't think that we should
- 23 increase the points. I think that we should -- I don't
- 24 even want to address the borrowing limit other than in
- 25 that one area because our borrowing limit right now is

- 1 for a total project that's \$2 million. I think we ought
- 2 to leave that alone. I don't think we should establish
- 3 minimum diversion tonnage. I don't think at this point
- 4 we should deal with the priority rating system. I think
- 5 Mr. Eaton covered that earlier that there may be some
- 6 mechanisms we can work on to focus. I do think we should
- 7 modify the parameters around real estate loans to be
- 8 \$250,000 SMIF and from \$250,000 to \$500,000 SMIF plus one
- 9 point with a limit of \$500,000 for real estate
- 10 purchasing, and that we also look at --
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Can I interject speaking
- 12 as a Southern California resident? What -- I don't
- 13 know -- and probably the Bay Area is even worse, but what
- 14 are you going to get for \$250,000, even if it's a partial
- 15 loan for a business -- for a piece of business property?
- 16 I would think it's not much. My point is maybe your
- 17 first -- maybe your first category at least should be
- 18 zero to \$500,000.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay. SMIF plus one. I
- 20 was just trying to give them a break on the first
- 21 \$250,000.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: The first \$500,000 would
- 23 be SMIF.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay. And then cap it at
- 25 \$500,000 for real estate?

- 1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Yeah. Because I mean
- 2 you're giving somebody a break at the low levels but --
- 3 and my generally liberal instincts say that's a great
- 4 thing to do, but there's no low levels anymore in much of
- 5 the urban areas of California.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: All right. I'll tell you
- 7 what. SMIF from zero to \$500,000. Go ahead.
- 8 MS. WOHL: I was going to say maybe sort of
- 9 status quo except for you want a limit now on real
- 10 estate. That's really the one issue.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: \$500,000. And then we'll
- 12 review special circumstances on some of these projects
- 13 that come forward, rural or whatever, maybe they need
- 14 \$550,000 or \$600,000 and they can't --
- MR. LA TANNER: Staff is considering one
- 16 application from a company up on the northern coast for
- 17 \$850,000. Not all of that is real estate.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Not all of that is.
- MR. LA TANNER: If you don't set a hard cap at
- 20 \$500,000, then when that item is presented you may have
- 21 to look at it if they want \$550,000 or \$600,000. It's
- 22 better to set it --
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay. We'll set the hard
- 24 cap, then. I've got faith that you can bring something
- 25 strange to this Board.

- 1 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: So was that a motion?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: That was a motion.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Before we get to the
- 4 motion, Board Member Greenspan -- I mean Jones.
- 5 (Laughter)
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Do we have any requirements
- 7 as to some of this land, is it just raw land, unimproved
- 8 land, or is it always improved with a building of some
- 9 sort?
- MR. LA TANNER: We've had both cases. They're
- 11 either purchasing raw land and are going to construct the
- 12 facility on it or they're buying an existing facility --
- 13 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And retrofit?
- 14 MR. LA TANNER: And retrofit.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Is there any kind of
- 16 requirement that we have for having them include green
- 17 building technology in these buildings and can we? I
- 18 mean if you get a pretty good interest loan pretty cheap,
- 19 if you look at it, part of that is part of the business.
- 20 I'm just saying in terms of that. I don't want to add
- 21 more problems to funding a loan, but I think that is also
- 22 putting our money where our mouth is as well.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Having them identify maybe
- 24 some of the areas.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: It's kind of a priority

- 1 system. That's all you're doing. That's not a hard and
- 2 fast rule, but it is a priority system.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think we ought to include
- 4 it in the discussion. That makes sense to me. So I
- 5 think a combination of those two.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: And that's your
- 7 motion. Do we have a second?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 9 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Motion by Mr. Jones,
- 10 seconded by Mr. Medina. You said it once.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Do you want me to say it
- 12 again?
- 13 BOARD MEMBER EATON: You said it enough.
- 14 (Laughter)
- MS. WOHL: I got it.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Did you get it?
- MS. WOHL: Yes.
- 18 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Secretary, please call
- 19 the roll.
- 20 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 22 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 24 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.

- BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 3 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 5 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 7 BOARD SECRETARY: Did I get everybody?
- 8 MS. WOHL: Maybe in the interest of time the
- 9 last section was leveraging options, and you really could
- 10 defer to us to start investigating a few of these we
- 11 think are maybe the hottest potential and bring back
- 12 information to you at some point.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: That sounds great.
- 14 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I would like that, and
- 15 I do want to give Mr. Davis --
- 16 MR. DAVIS: Actually, the California Association
- 17 of Recycling Market Development Zones, and I'm the
- 18 current President of that, our major interest is in this
- 19 area. So we would like to suggest three things. You
- 20 heard earlier that there is a balance uncommitted in the
- 21 RMDZ program. We think you should be prepared to utilize
- 22 that balance and not curtail our efforts to deliver
- 23 qualified eligible loan applicants to you. You may by
- 24 next month have committed the \$10 million that you have
- 25 available. We are out there generating interest in the

- 1 program and if we tell people come back after next July,
- 2 they're gone. It makes our life impossible and the crux
- 3 of Lorna Brown's comments, Jim Kuhl's comments, Steve
- 4 Laud's comments and really the whole association's
- 5 comments is please let's try to avoid that. You have
- 6 uncommitted balance in the program.
- 7 The second recommendation that we would make is
- 8 to immediately begin the work as you did before, which I
- 9 think led to the large amount of money that was available
- 10 in the fund at one time and all the subsequent issues
- 11 that fell out from that. Consider if necessary a sale of
- 12 a loan portfolio in order to continue the momentum. We
- 13 would rather plow through the money and use it up than to
- 14 try to end up deciding who's going to get the \$5 million
- 15 on July 1. It makes our life -- and I don't know what we
- 16 would do as Zone Administrators to make that a workable
- 17 system.
- 18 The third recommendation that we have is it
- 19 would be to request that you designate a working group of
- 20 Board staff, Board Members to work with the Zone
- 21 Association. We will bring in the resources that we can
- 22 bring to the table, and let's talk about how to size this
- 23 program and how to market the program and how to make it
- 24 work. It's a good time right now. There's receptivity
- 25 to this for a number of reasons. It's a good economic

- 1 climate, but we can do -- this is a unique program. This
- 2 is something across the country that people look to.
- 3 We're on the verge of really growing this program and
- 4 we'd like to work with you to do it correctly.
- 5 I think Mr. Eaton's comments earlier were very
- 6 appropriate. We ought to be looking at where the demand
- 7 is and where it should be. We're prepared, the Zone
- 8 Association is prepared to work with the industries, work
- 9 with yourselves to go commodity by commodity, to sit down
- 10 with the people in the paper industry. What can you do
- 11 in California, where are your interests, where are the
- 12 opportunities in California, how do we work with you to
- 13 realize those and how should we approach this whole issue
- 14 of finance.
- 15 Right now you're setting a limit. We're out
- 16 there marketing the program. We're not saying there's
- 17 this amount of money in there. We're saying here's the
- 18 program and the interest is there. We'd like to go
- 19 material by material. We'd like to work with the
- 20 plastics people. We'd like to work with the paper
- 21 people, the C&D and the organics people. We'd like to be
- 22 able to come to you and say here's some very specific
- 23 things that we can do. It's not all just loaning money
- 24 and we know that. We've had those discussions with those
- 25 people, the trade groups, the journals, and so we're

- 1 asking I quess as a third part is let's get that process
- 2 going, establish a working group so we can come back to
- 3 you and be very specific to create a linkage in the
- 4 program, size the program accordingly.
- 5 There's some great opportunities here for market
- 6 development, and what I hear and you probably hear too is
- 7 that market development, all the other things that we're
- 8 doing right now is putting a lot of material out there.
- 9 Somewhere there's 22 million tons, and if it's going
- 10 overseas, what can we keep here, what can we use to build
- 11 this economy and do it sustainably. The idea of tying in
- 12 all your various programs into things like green
- 13 building, those are things we'd love to work on and we
- 14 offer our help, but first of all we need to address the
- 15 immediate problem. So we hope that you'll receptive.
- 16 Use the money you have, start the work if you
- 17 need to on the sale of the loan portfolio and work with
- 18 us on these other options. We offer those all for you.
- 19 Zone Administrators are members of the association.
- 20 We've circulated the material to them and we're ready to
- 21 go.
- 22 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you so much,
- 23 Mr. Davis. I started to say Mr. Jones, I've said it so
- 24 many times today.
- 25 (Laughter)

- 1 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: We really appreciate
- 2 your input and we'd like to have you work with our staff
- 3 and the Board Members on this because it's real important
- 4 to us. Thank you for sharing your thoughts.
- 5 Thank you for a real good presentation.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 7 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think his idea about a
- 9 working group makes an awful lot of sense. I think we
- 10 probably ought to look at that.
- 11 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: I do too. I'd like
- 12 that, the staff and the Board involved.
- 13 Thank you so much. It's been a long day.
- 14 We'll continue with all out items tomorrow.
- 15 Oh, I'm sorry. I was told. Would you like to
- 16 go ahead and hear it?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Hear what?
- 18 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Number 13, we have
- 19 people that are -- the resolution on Number 7,
- 20 Resolution 2000-406.
- 21 MS. COVINGTON-WEBB: Right. We covered the
- 22 leveraging portion and the fund -- wait. The eligibility
- 23 criteria and the fund applications. So those are both
- 24 covered in this resolution.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: The only thing we didn't do

- 1 was the leverage.
- 2 MS. COVINGTON-WEBB: Right. So do you want to
- 3 revise this?
- 4 MS. TOBIAS: I think that's what I would suggest
- 5 is that we just have staff revise it. We've had a lot of
- 6 Board testimony on this and so I think that we could go
- 7 ahead and revise this. If the Board would like to see it
- 8 tomorrow, they could, but I think this is in the nature
- 9 of one that we could probably revise without coming back.
- 10 MS. COVINGTON-WEBB: So can we vote on it
- 11 tonight and get it --
- 12 MS. TOBIAS: I was taking their motion as --
- MS. COVINGTON-WEBB: Okay.
- 14 MS. TOBIAS: Rather than -- what they're doing
- 15 is instead of voting on the motion, they've made their
- 16 own motion and we'll revise the resolution to reflect
- 17 what their motions were.
- MS. COVINGTON-WEBB: Okay. Thank you.
- 19 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: We had speakers on 13.
- 20 You're here as staff? I don't even see staff. How long
- 21 is the item?
- 22 MR. DIEDRICK: Two minutes.
- 23 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Let's go ahead and
- 24 hear it.
- 25 (Laughter)

- 1 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Would the speakers
- 2 please get in speaker slips if you want to.
- 3 MR. DIEDRICK: I don't believe there's going to
- 4 be any speakers unless there's an issue brought up by the
- 5 Board.
- 6 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We'll go ahead.
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 MR. DIEDRICK: Yes. Madam Chairman, Board
- 9 Members, my name is Chris Diedrick and I'm with the
- 10 Board's Permitting and Inspection Branch. In the
- 11 audience quickly is Bill O'Rullian of the Kern County
- 12 LEA, Susan Reid of the Kern County Waste Management
- 13 Department and John Richardson, Vice President of the
- 14 Community Recycling and Resource Recovery, Incorporated,
- 15 who is the operator.
- 16 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Welcome. I apologize.
- 17 I thought you had left. We're glad you stayed and we'll
- 18 do this. Thanks.
- 19 MR. DIEDRICK: Agenda Item Number 13 is for
- 20 consideration of a revised Solid Waste Facilities Permit
- 21 for Community Recycling's Lamont Composting facility in
- 22 Kern County. It's a mixed waste composting facility
- 23 owned and operated by Community Recycling and Resource
- 24 Recovery.
- 25 Let me jump right to the summary of changes. If

- 1 you need specific information, I can provide that.
- 2 There's going to be an expansion of the footprint of the
- 3 composting facility, increase in daily tonnage, increase
- 4 in design capacity of the facility, increase of traffic
- 5 incoming and outgoing. The official address of the site
- 6 will change, not the location just the address, and also
- 7 there's a change in the name of the facility.
- 8 Board staff has determined all the requirements
- 9 of the proposed permit have been fulfilled except for one
- 10 thing, and I don't think this is an issue but you can
- 11 advise me on this. There was an inconsistency between
- 12 the proposed permit and the Non-Disposal Facility
- 13 Element. Specifically there was a difference in the
- 14 amount of tonnage.
- 15 So in conclusion, if the Board finds that the
- 16 proposed permit is consistent with the County
- 17 Non-Disposal Facility Element, then staff recommends that
- 18 the Board adopt Board Resolution Number 2000-411
- 19 concurring in the issuance of Solid Waste Facility Permit
- 20 number 15-AA-0307.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: The -- Madam Chair.
- 22 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: It was identified in the
- 24 NDFE.
- 25 MR. DIEDRICK: Yes, sir. It was identified.

- 1 The only discrepancy was that the proposed permit has a
- 2 total daily tonnage of 3,692 and the description in the
- 3 NDFE has total capacity of 2,872 tons per day.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I would like to move
- 7 adoption of Resolution 2000-411.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Before you do, I just had
- 9 one question.
- 10 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: In the proposed area it
- 12 says 190 acres of which 120 are designated for
- 13 composting. What will the remaining 70 acres be used for?
- 14 MR. DIEDRICK: They'll be infrastructure. They
- 15 have chippers and grinders and I believe there's some
- 16 buildings on that, and then there's buffers around the
- 17 composting facility. If you need specifics, the operator
- 18 is here to answer those questions.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: That's fine. I just
- 20 wanted to know what they were going to be for.
- 21 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones, you made
- 22 the motion.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just to adopt Resolution
- 24 2000-411.
- 25 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Do we have a second?

- 1 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 2 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Motion by
- 3 Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Medina.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair.
- 5 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Even though my
- 7 traditional position has been that these things shouldn't
- 8 fly because there's not conformance, there's a new Board
- 9 policy, which I will vote in recognition thereof as much
- 10 as I think it's lousy.
- 11 (Laughter)
- 12 CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Senator
- 13 Roberti.
- 14 We have a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by
- 15 Mr. Medina, for Resolution 2000-411.
- 16 Secretary, would you please call the roll.
- 17 BOARD SECRETARY: Eaton.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 19 BOARD SECRETARY: Jones.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 21 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 23 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 25 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.

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1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
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           BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
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           CHAIR MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
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            We will continue our meeting until tomorrow
5 morning at 9:30.
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